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SPORTS

Golfers win league meet



Grayling High School's boys golf team took first place in a league meet and second place in its seven-team Grayling Invitational tournament on Monday and Thursday, respectively.

The Vikings posted a score of 168 - the best team tally of the meet by five strokes - during Monday's eight-team Lake Michigan Conference meet at East Jordan. Traverse City St. Francis took second (173) and Charlevoix finished third (175).

"Great win for the team," Coach Dan DesEnfants said. "Nobody was on fire - just a good team effort. Tyler Brigham is really improving every day and the contribution of Ethan Lewis was key on a day when our veterans were a little off." **Page 9**

Soccer team wins 3-0 at EJ



Grayling won 3-0 at East Jordan in a varsity girls' soccer contest played last Tuesday.

Hannah Haven scored all three goals for the Vikings.

"Our defense did a nice job shutting down their team's offense. We came out a little chippy in the first half and were unable to connect with many of our passes. At the end of the first half the score was 0-0. The second half we did a much better job setting up each other and connecting with our passes," Coach Craig Cobb said. "We played a much better second half." **Page 16**

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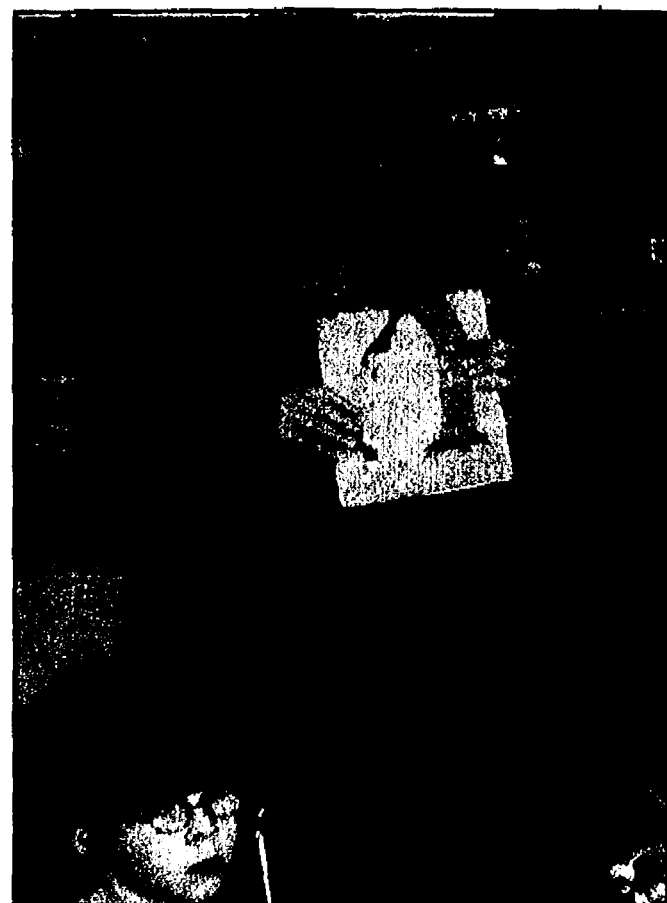
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The 372 students at the AuSable Primary School were treated to an Earth Day celebration presentation last week. Above left, Lisa Patishnock, the manufacturing engineer for the Springs Window Fashions plant in Grayling, visited all kindergarten through second grade classrooms and read Shel Silverstein's book, "The Giving Tree," which parallels the life of a tree and a boy. Above right, second grader Misty Hinds displays wood pellets made from excess woodchips left after blinds, shades and shutters are produced at Springs Window Fashions.

EARTH DAY

AuSable Primary students learn about recycling from local company

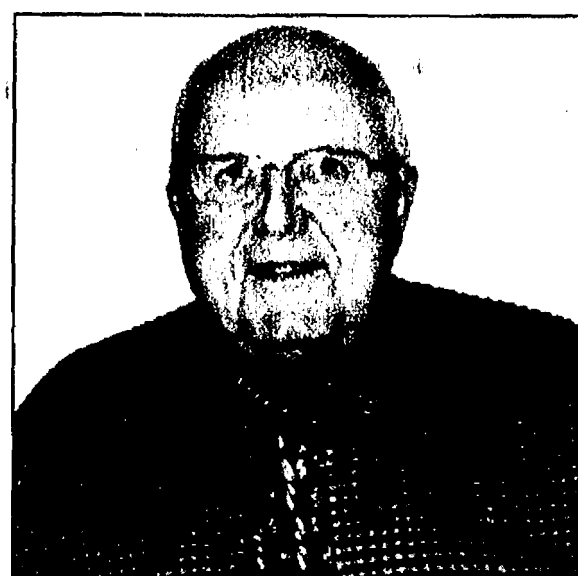
by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

While the products made by Springs Window Fashions in Grayling are aimed to keep the sunlight out and maintain privacy, the company

opened the eyes of students to renewable resources and recycling for Earth Day.

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Dennis Robinson

City Council vacancy filled

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The third vote was the charm for a man selected to fill a vacancy on the Grayling City Council Monday.

Dennis Robinson was appointed to fill a vacancy by a 3-to-1 vote by the Grayling City Council. Mayor Karl Schreiner, Mayor Pro Tem Larry Akers and Council Member Karl DeVries cast yes votes for the appointment, while Council Member Kim McClain cast the lone no vote.

Larry Currison was the first applicant nominated to fill the vacancy. That vote failed with a 2-to-2 vote, with Akers and McClain casting yes votes, and DeVries and Schreiner casting no votes.

Next, DeVries nominated Dave Sherbert to fill the vacancy. That motion failed when Akers, McClain and Schreiner cast no votes.

Heidi Farmer and Dennis Palmer also applied to fill the vacancy.

Dee Maybury submitted her resignation to the Grayling City Council on March 16. Maybury has moved to Florida because she is taking care of family business.

Robinson previously served a stint on the Grayling City Council in 2006, when Kim McClain moved out of the city and eventually moved out of the state.

"I just thought I would step forward and put my name in the hat and volunteer for to the city to see if I can help," Robinson said.

Robinson has been involved with the AuSable Artisan Village project and hopes the city will maintain its involvement with that initiative.

"I would really like to see an emphasis put on that," he said.

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Police Chief cleared of wrongdoing

Council receives lengthy investigation report

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A consultant took swift action to address an alleged hostile workplace environment complaint at Grayling City Hall.

A report was submitted to Grayling City Council members on Monday, clearing Grayling City Police Chief Doug Baum, who is serving as the acting Grayling City Manager, of any wrongdoing.

Ben Chouinard, sexton for the Elmwood Cemetery, filed the complaint against Baum.

The city council appointed Baum to serve as the acting city manager on March 8. The council put Grayling City Manager David Thayer on leave on Feb. 22, with full pay, while he faces 24 counts of allegedly violating the Social Security Privacy Act.

Thayer had intended to apply for a Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNR & E) grant aimed for small projects to help develop a skate park for youth by city hall. The grant was supposed to be submitted to the state on April 1. Baum was unaware of the grant.

At a city staff meeting on March 30, Baum questioned city staff and Chouinard about the skate park grant. Baum acknowledged he cursed when he asked Chouinard to point out any information about a skate park in the grant application.

Since city council members received the lengthy investigation report and findings on Monday, they opted to hold off taking any action until its next meeting which will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 10.

"As far as I'm concerned, it's over and done with," said Grayling Mayor Karl Schreiner.

Grayling resident honored as KCC's Alumnus of the Year

A Grayling native, Sarah Medler, was recently selected as Kirtland Community College's 2010 "Alumnus of the Year," and will speak at the upcoming commencement ceremonies on the college's main campus near Roscommon on Friday, April 30.

Medler, a 2000 graduate of Kirtland, graduated magna cum laude from Spring Arbor University in 2002, earning her bachelor's degree management and organizational development. But she's not done yet, as the 1996 graduate of Grayling High School is currently enrolled at Spring Arbor University and working toward a master's degree in organizational development.

According to the letter nominating Medler for the honor, it was her work to continue her education at Kirtland and beyond that swayed the author to submit her name.

"Sarah is an avid supporter of Kirtland Community College," the letter states. "She strongly believes that people can get a good, quality education, yet stay close to home."

Employed by Crawford County as the Circuit Court clerk, Medler also serves as the county public information officer for emergency management and the Local Emergency Planning Committee.

Medler keeps busy outside her daytime job, as she's the owner/instructor of the Just For Kicks Cloggers, a Roscommon-based dance team and teaches clogging in Michigan, as well as workshops in Canada. The Just For Kicks Cloggers perform annually at Roscommon County's Relay For Life, the Miss Roscommon Fair Pageant and at numerous other events throughout the state, including fairs, car shows, parades,

Christmas in the Village and nursing homes. The team also participates in and performs at the annual Blistered Feet Clogging Workshop in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario Canada.

An avid equestrian, Medler spends a great deal of time riding and showing horses. Her horses have earned numerous regional, national and international awards, including the FHANA President's Trophy and a PAC National Driving Champion. Each year, Medler rides at the Wellington Farm Park "Haunted Farm" as the headless horseman.

Medler is a proud member of numerous horse associations, including serving as a board member of the Northwestern Michigan Horseman's Association since 1996 and as the group's president in 2008. She's also the co-chairperson for the Roscommon County Fair horse show.



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Judge rules that pair of pit bulls must be adopted out or euthanized

by Dan Sanderson
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Ownership was the key issue to Burmeister's ruling. Although the court does not require the Minards to adopt the dogs out, it an option they can use to avail themselves of the court order to euthanize the dogs, Burmeister said. They will have to inform the court within 30 days on what option they wish to exercise.

"All experts have offered opinions on that question based on their testing," Burmeister said of returning the dogs to the Minards. "However, all the experts also squarely place the owners in the middle of that equation."

"It has been said there are not bad dogs, just bad owners," Burmeister added. "While the Court does not

subscribe to that theory wholeheartedly, it is illustrative of the circumstances here."

The court case stems from an incident that took place on July 18, 2008. James Vernon Gardiner, who lives near the Sherwood Forest Subdivision, was riding his mountain bike south from Pollack Bridge Road. Gardiner left the roadway at the intersection of Tomahawk Trail and Little John Avenue and turned to travel on a dirt trail, which runs parallel to the railroad tracks. Gardiner said the two dogs aggressively approached him barking. He sprayed a water bottle at the dogs, put his bike in front of him as a shield and eventually fended them off with a stick before their owner called them home.

The Minards live in Grayling Township's Sherwood Forest Subdivision at 635 Little John Avenue.

Burmeister noted that the two dogs acted in a pact mentality, continuing to confront Gardiner over a period of 10 to 15 minutes. One dog circled around Gardiner, in a classic flanking maneuver, with its partner making a frontal assault. He noted that Gardiner did not do anything to the dogs until it became necessary, in his judgment, to protect himself from physical injury. He said Gardiner would have been concerned if the person was a child or elderly person who had encountered the dogs and was hoping that somebody would have come forward to assist him.

The initial date to euthanize the animals was set for Dec. 18, 2008.

Burmeister issued a stay on the court order to euthanize the pair of Staffordshire Terriers on Jan. 7, 2009, after the Minards appealed the case in Crawford County Circuit Court.

46th Circuit Trial Court Judge Dennis F. Murphy vacated the euthanasia

order on Oct. 5, 2009.

Burmeister based his opinion largely on the testimony of Crawford County Animal Control Officer Gail Foguth. Foguth testified at an hearing in March that on Oct. 19, 2008, the Minards let another one of their dogs loose which attacked a neighbor's dog while he was walking it, causing a face puncture wound. On Jan. 24, 2009, the same neighbor whose dog sustained the face wound, was accosted again by the same dog running loose.

Burmeister also favored the opinion of Jason Major, an animal behaviorist from Gaylord, who said the pit bulls had demonstrated emotionality and a lack of a pro-social skill set. He also said that the dogs had a foundation set for aggression and may be aggressive in the future in similar circumstances to manipulate their situation or environment.

Burmeister said he found it ironic that Dr. Maria Iliopoulou, a Lansing area veterinarian who evaluated Shelby and Riley for the Minards, said that no one could predict the future actions of a dog, but believed that Shelby and Riley would not be a danger in the future.

In his opinion, Burmeister reiterated that there didn't need to be evidence of a bite or blood on the ground for there to be an attack.

"This provision of the statute references a clear public policy of the State of Michigan that one does not need to await the drawing of blood to determine an animal should be put down, particularly if there is sufficient evidence of the dangerous tendencies of an animal," Burmeister said.

Burmeister said he believed the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, where Shelby and Riley have been kept since November 2008, or the experts who testified in the case would help facilitate an adoption.

Burmeister specified parameters to protect the public, which include:

- The adoptee must be a person with comparable credentials to those who testified in the case, meaning someone with a background in training and animal behavior management.

- The adoptee would need to keep the dogs, meaning they could not be re-adopted out.

- The adoptee would need to put the dogs through behavior management class/therapy.

- The adoptee would need to be approved by the Court, so that it would avoid simply allowing this community to potentially rid itself of a hazard by foisting that hazard on another community. "The Court will not do that," Burmeister said.

- The dogs would not be therapy dogs.

- The dogs would be placed within 90 days of written notification from the Minards that they wished to pursue this option.

Minard said he would appeal Burmeister's ruling, which will be the second time in the case.

"I think it's bunch of crap and it will be appealed," he said. "It will be a cold day in hell before I give up those dogs."

Richard Angelo Jr., an attorney who represents the Minards, said he was reviewing Burmeister's opinion.

"We're looking at everything right now, trying to figure out the best way to to about it," he said. "Appeal is certainly an option."

Angelo said Burmeister's ruling was depressing since the Minards have taken precautionary steps to bring the dogs home and seek training for them in the future.

"It's unfortunate that the attack did occur, but it's a big leap to death or injury to a human based on the actions from this incident," Angelo said. "I'm not sure the evidence bore that out."

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CASD Alumni Hall of Fame induction ceremony to be held

The Crawford AuSable School District will host its fifth Alumni Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Sunday, May 2 at 2 p.m. in the Joseph H. Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. The program was developed to honor graduates who have achieved significant success in their careers and to motivate students to set high goals for their own futures.

Since the Alumni Hall of Fame was started in 2004, 47 graduates have been inducted and this year 18 more will be added. New inductees include: Norma Buck Johnson Madill (1920), Melvin Nielson (1940), James Burch

(1953), Gary Russell (1962), Steven DuBois (1967), William Gould (1968), James Kucharek (1969), Richard Gould (1972), Jon Thompson (1975), Steven Olsen (1977), Geoffrey Stancil Bichler (1979), Mark Hamilton (1982), Stephanie Hindmarsh Dennehy (1986), Nicholas Stancil (1995), David Sabin (1997), Michael Latusek (2000), Michael Pappas (2000) and Bradley Gorski (2001).

Michael Delp, a GHS instructor from 1971 to 1984 and now a creative writing instructor at Interlochen Arts Academy, will be the keynote speaker.

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Fame, graduates must have achieved one or more of the following: an advanced degree; a significant life achievement, honor or award; or a significant contribution toward improving the lives of others.

"We are proud of our graduates, and our goal is to fill the walls at Grayling High School with graduates who are inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame," said Joe Powers, CASD superintendent. "Following the awards ceremony, inductees' pictures will be added to the beautiful Alumni Hall of Fame display at the high school. We would like to invite you to join us to honor another group of amazing Crawford AuSable graduates."

If you would like to nominate an alumnus for the 2012 ceremony, come in to the school board office for an application, or check our website at www.casdk12.net (click on the Alumni Hall of Fame link) for further information.



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Club donates tree for Earth Day



The Beyond the Wall Garden Club donated a flowering crabapple tree to the Grayling Nursing and Rehabilitation Community on Meadows Drive in honor of Earth Day on Thursday, April 22. Pictured planting the tree are Earl LaFave, Grayling Nursing and Rehabilitation Community Activities Director Jessica Kunna, Reatha LaFave and Kathy Hughes.

County applies for grant to start school career academy

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Crawford County officials are applying for a federal grant to form a school that would serve as a safety net for students beginning their studies at Grayling High School.

Crawford County is applying for a three-year grant through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to create a Career Academy at Grayling High School.

The Community Prevention Grants program has helped communities prevent delinquency and improve the lives of youth and their families. The school would target freshmen and sophomores at risk of becoming school dropouts, being placed out of the home with other family members or in foster care or incarceration.

"It's a school within a school," said Tom Haskel, court administrator for the 46th Circuit Trial Court for Crawford County. "The basis for the school is to identify these kids and we

can catch the students when they are in ninth and 10th grade and don't acquire enough credits when they are juniors and seniors, dropout and become liabilities on society in a number of different ways."

Students enrolled in the school would earn credits toward their graduation. They would also focus on post graduation options such as attending college, enrolling in a technical school or pursuing an occupation.

"It would carry them all the way through with a single group of educators and community personnel, so we're not doing a lot of work one year and then let them fail on their own latter on," Haskel said.

In the first year, the county would receive a \$90,000 grant with a \$45,000 match. In the second year, the program would receive \$70,000 grant with a \$65,000 match. In the third year, the county would receive a \$40,000 grant with a \$95,000 match.

The local match is provided with existing in kind

resources and expanded court Child Care funds, including 10 percent of administrative services from the county, courts, sheriff's office and the school district. A caseworker from the court's Family Division and a court attendant and mentor would also be assigned to the program.

The grant fund would be used for a full-time classroom teacher, 20 percent of the funding for a project coordinator and 25 percent of the salary for a school liaison officer.

"It's critical to the school and the kids to try to keep them there," said Dave Stephenson, chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners said of the school liaison officer.

Haskel said that Brooke Laurent, a social worker for the Crawford AuSable School District, said 75 percent of active students are where they need to be as far credits, 12 percent are at a minimum level of credits toward graduation and 14 percent of students are at a level where they have less

than minimum credits needed to graduate.

By contrast, students involved in Probate Court, there are 65 percent with less than minimum credits and are expected to drop out, 20 percent have a minimum level of credits toward graduation and 15 percent have the expected credits needed to graduate.

Haskel said the rates of children that have been placed outside of their home or in foster care are comparable.

"It just speaks volumes," he said.

Haskel said the career academy, if approved, would be ideal to catch students before they get involved in the court system. Officials will also track the students into youth adult lives.

"I think it's a win-win right now," Haskel said. "The foundation for them dropping out is in the ninth grade because they're not getting the credits."

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Cameras help catch vandal

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The new security camera system installed in the Grayling City Park resulted in the identification of a juvenile who damaged the interior of the city's Nature Center last week.

Chad Beckett, the director of the City of Grayling's Department of Public Works, discovered the dam-

aged wall in the Nature Center around 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21. Beckett reported the vandalism to Grayling City Police Department Patrolman Alan Somero.

After reviewing the security footage, Somero was able to identify the suspect. At 11:20 a.m. on Thursday, April 22, the suspect was spotted in town and Somero

was notified.

Somero located the male juvenile, who was turned over to his mother.

The mother was informed of the damage to city property and that the case would be referred to the Crawford County Probate Court. The boy was banned from the city park and the Nature Center.

Troops depart for Kosovo mission

Friends and family bid farewell to nine Michigan National Guard Soldiers from the Grayling-based 745th EOD unit on Friday, April 23, as they departed for Camp Atterbury, Ind., and then Kosovo for a 12-month tour of duty.

The soldiers will train for approximately 20 days at Camp Atterbury before

deploying. Upon arrival in Kosovo, they will support Kosovo Forces by reducing or eliminating hazards that include: conventional unexploded ordnances, chemical, biological, enhanced high explosive devices and improvised explosive devices that threaten personnel, operations, installations, property or material.

Today, more than 800 Michigan National Guard Soldiers and Airmen are deployed across the globe in support of the global war on terrorism. As the Michigan Guard serves the nation abroad, more than 90 percent of the force is available, trained and ready to respond to a state emergency including a terrorist event.

City Council vacancy filled

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Robinson also said he would like to see more personal and contact information placed on the city's website so residents could contact officials with concerns and questions.

"If people have concerns, I can take them to a meeting and I can be speaking for the population rather than myself," Robinson said.

Robinson currently serves as a summer park ranger at the Hartwick Pines State

Park. He previously worked as a consultant for the Michigan State Police's

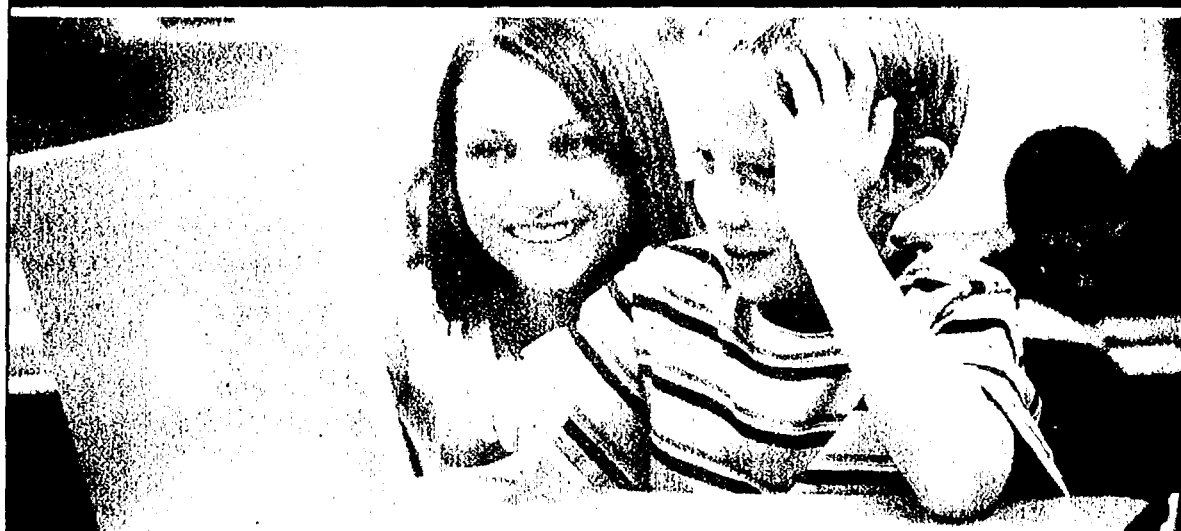
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Issues and Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Rosy view from rock bottom

GOOD NEWS in Michigan these days is where you find it, so recent observations by Gov. Jennifer Granholm are worth savoring.

On CNN's "State of the Union" weekly show, Gov. Granholm assured the country that things are looking up in Michigan.

"We have hit bottom," the governor claimed.

That may be faint praise for a state that usually hears only bad comments about itself, but most Michiganders should take it as something positive.

If we have hit bottom, doesn't that mean things cannot get any worse? Let us hope.

Unemployment has eased a bit this spring but still stands at 14.1 percent, which in most cases is close to crisis standing.

Michigan-based auto companies seem to be climbing out of a collective deep hole, real estate sales are better in some places, and Michigan retailers in

February reported the first monthly year-over-year increase in retail sales since 2007, which is may be two-month old news but still on the positive side.

SCHOOL PROBLEMS – Gov. Granholm included a caveat in her rosy view from rock bottom.

"We've got to keep pushing on this move to diversify our economy and educate our kids," she warned.

Agreement on these points is probably universal in Michigan. The aim is true, but the question is how?

Diversity may be elusive, but we're trying hard. Educating kids is a tougher problem.

School districts across the state face disastrous money problems, intensified by repeated reductions in state aid, and many of "our kids" find higher education and training almost out of reach as tuition and other college costs soar to replace lost state assistance.

Gov. Granholm and other state decision makers obviously have not found an acceptable answer to this worsening dilemma.

I hope the governor's "rock bottom" prediction is a truer one than offered in one of her early "State of the State" messages when she predicted that the wonders of Michigan's future would "knock your socks off."

That was true all right; the socks went off, and so did many of the shoes, but not like Gov. Granholm had expected.

REPUBLICAN DEBATE – Five men who want to take Gov. Granholm's job showed a bit of internal bickering in their first joint appearance recently.

That should not be surprising because these candidates for the Republican nomination for governor are spending tons of money – much of it their own – and putting in countless hours of campaigning to find favor among the same voters.

At this point, conventional political wisdom surmises that whoever wins the Republican nomination has a good chance of becoming governor. I wouldn't disagree with that assumption – at this point.

Probably nobody "won" the debate, because it really isn't a debate and there is no accurate measure of how public support was affected. It was a joint appearance with the five candidates lined up behind lecterns and lasted an hour, which comes out to a bit more than 10 minutes per candidate if time is shared equally. Three more of these are planned by Michigan Republicans – one a month before the August 5 primary.

Much of the lightning apparently centered on Atty. Gen. Mike Cox, whose feistiness drew the most attention in news reports of the debate. Mr. Cox is a magnet for attention, partly due to the activities of his present office and partly due to his personal political

style, and likely will continue that way.

Apparently all the candidates got in a lick or two, all were touchy about taxes and spending, and none had a sure cure for everything that ails Michigan.

Oakland Sheriff Michael Bouchard, State Sen. Tom George, US Rep. Peter Hoekstra and Ann Arbor businessman Rick Snyder all seemed to hold their own.

The Republican candidates have three more months before the primary to sell themselves and their ideas to voters, and these joint appearances – although not ideal – can be helpful.

ENDORSEMENTS – It probably doesn't matter much, but a couple of national Republican heavyweights have weighed in on the Michigan governor's primary.

Former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, who lost to Sen. John McCain in the 2008 Republican presiden-

tial primary and now is a TV commentator, has endorsed Mike Cox.

Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, who also lost out in the GOP presidential contest two years ago, has come out for Rep. Peter Hoekstra of Holland, and is expected to hold a fundraiser for him in Western Michigan.

Of the two, the Romney endorsement probably carries more weight in Michigan because of the Romney family ties here. Mitt Romney's father, George Romney, was a popular thrice-elected governor here in the 1980s.

Although endorsements from the outside usually aren't significant, the more important question this year remains:

What will Sarah Palin do?

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Washington Notes

By Carl Levin, U.S. Senator (D-Michigan)

Preventing the next financial crisis

The financial crisis was not a natural disaster. It was a man-made assault. Millions lost their jobs and homes, and they lost them not because of bad luck or the natural ups and downs of the economic cycle. People did it – for greed. And it will happen again unless we change the rules that govern our financial system.

Eighteen months ago, as the U.S. financial system teetered on the brink of collapse, the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, which I chair, launched a probe of the causes of the financial crisis to learn how it happened so we can keep it from recurring.

Recently, we began hearings to lay out what our investigation found. Our first two hearings were sobering. They dealt with the case of Washington Mutual, a Seattle-based bank that was on the brink of collapse when federal regulators took it over in 2008, making it the biggest bank failure in U.S. history. Washington Mutual, known as WaMu, was a poster child for some of the abuses that led to the crisis.

WaMu held itself out as a well-run, prudent bank that was a pillar of its community. But in 2005, WaMu formalized a strategy to move from traditional, low-risk home loans to high-risk home loans. WaMu paid its

employees more for making risky loans, loans that often were disastrous for borrowers. As documents uncovered in our investigation make clear, the reason was simple: money. Making these risky loans, often to people with little chance of making the payments, boosted short-term profits.

But our investigation found repeated signs that a disturbing number of WaMu loans were fraudulent – 83 percent of loans reviewed at one California office were found to contain fraud. Instead of disciplining employees who committed fraud, WaMu's top managers marginalized executives who warned of danger ahead. One former employee told the subcommittee that shortly after he raised his concerns, the CEO fired him.

WaMu didn't just make ill-advised home loans. It packaged groups of mortgage loans and sold them on Wall Street. Just like a polluter dumping toxic chemicals into a river, WaMu's mortgages became a big source of the "toxic assets" that helped poison the entire financial system. We paid for that in the form of the \$700 billion Wall Street bailout and the biggest recession since the 1930s.

The actions of WaMu's executives were inexcusable. But so was the inaction of regulators whose job it was to protect the stability

of the financial system. The Office of Thrift Supervision had primary regulatory authority over WaMu. Our investigation found that instead of reining in WaMu's excesses, OTS resisted efforts to tighten regulations and blocked other federal agencies from getting an accurate picture of WaMu's health. It was supposed to be a watchdog, but it had no bite. Another agency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, saw problems but couldn't convince OTS to act and didn't act on its own.

Holding accountable those who caused the financial crisis is one aim of our investigation. Another is prevention. We need to know how it happened so we can keep it from happening again.

In the coming weeks, the Senate will debate legislation to regulate the financial industry and, I hope, solve some of the problems our investigation has illustrated. Passing real regulatory reform will not be easy. Already, Wall Street is spending millions of dollars on lobbyists to protect itself – even though that would leave all the rest of us at risk. But the results of our investigation leave me more convinced than ever that we must act to rein in the abuses of the financial sector or we run the risk of repeating the tragic story of this recession.

Letters to the Editor

Help! I need painting!

To the editor:

Help! I need painting! I look so sad with my bright pink fading out. You don't want me to look this bad when the tourists come to Grayling this summer. My old wood shows through and I'm getting discouraged because not enough people have been able to help me so far. Don't you think it would be nice if I had a new coat (of paint) this summer? With the new streetscape

this year, new highway and a renovated courthouse, I think I should fit into the new picture. From the Crawford County Historical Museum.

Would you please donate to my problem? Send your donation, whatever it can be to the Crawford County Historical Society, P.O. Box 218, Grayling, MI 49738.

Fay Bovee
Grayling

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AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community Briefs items submitted to the Crawford County Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Briefs

Project Graduation to hold dinner

GHS Project Graduation will be holding their annual all-you-can-eat pancake dinner fund-raiser, on Monday, May 3, from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. at the Lone Pine Restaurant. The cost is by donation. All proceeds will benefit Grayling High School Class of 2010 Project Graduation.

Hall of Fame ceremony to be held

The CASD Alumni Hall of Fame bi-annual induction ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 2, at 2 p.m., at Grayling High School's Joseph Stripe Auditorium. The keynote speaker will be Michael Delp, a widely published poet who taught at GHS in the 1970s and 1980s. The public is invited to attend the ceremony where numerous graduates will be honored.

Wednesday ladies golf to hold meeting

The Wednesday morning women's golf league, will hold an organizational meeting on May 5, at 9 a.m. The sign-up fee is \$30, plus \$1 per week. Bring your clubs, weather permitting, there will be golf after the meeting. Fun days will be May 12 and 19, with league play on May 26.

Garden club to meet

Beyond the Garden Wall Garden Club will meet on Thursday, May 6, at 7 p.m. at the Greenhouse on Oakwood Drive in Roscommon. Plants and soil will be available for purchase. For more information, call 348-8519.

Baby Closet to be open

The Crawford County Baby Closet will be open monthly on the first and third Thursday of the month. It will be open on May 6 and May 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is located at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 400 Michigan Ave., Grayling. If you have donations, money or commodities, you may drop them off at the church, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. At this time, toddler's 1-3 summer clothes are needed. Call 348-2985 for information, donations or requests.

Blood drive to be held

A Red Cross blood drive will be held on Wednesday, May 5, from 12 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. at the American Legion.

Historical Museum to hold meeting

The Crawford County Museum Board will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 4, at 7 p.m. at the Grayling City Hall. The public is welcome to attend. The museum is looking for volunteers to work at the museum Wednesdays through Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Also needed are people to help restore and paint the museum. For more information, call 348-2985.

Walking group to begin

The informal walking group will start on Monday, May 3 at 7 a.m., 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. You choose the time, distance and speed you want to walk. Bring your friends and family, all ages welcome. For more information, call Bev at 348-2741.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawford-countyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Library News

All through the month of May you can enjoy programs on the Civilian Conservation Corps and logging in Michigan, courtesy of the Michigan Center for the Book. Help celebrate Crawford County's historical lumbering era and honor those who served in the CCC by sharing their ongoing legacy for all generations.

Story Hour is held every Wednesday at 11:15 a.m. for children ages 0 - 5 and their caregivers. This is an interactive program filled with stories, crafts and a snack.

Children ages 6 - 12 can come to the Devereaux Memorial Library for "I'm a Lumberjack" on Tuesday, May 4, at 3:30 p.m. Meet Rob Burg from Hartwick Pines and hear local historical facts sprinkled with tall tales.

The new adult writing club called "Write On!" will meet at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Tuesday, May 4, at 5 p.m. Share support and productivity with other adults who want to write creatively.

"Sit n' Knit" will meet at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, May

6, at 10 a.m.

Best selling Michigan author Elizabeth Kane Buzzelli will be at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, May 6, at 6 p.m. She will read from her newest Emily Kincaid mystery "Dead Sleeping Shaman." There will be a book signing, discussion, Q & A and refreshments following.

For information about these events or to sign up, call 348-9214.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, April 30 - Lunch - original fried chicken, baked beans, coleslaw and an orange. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Card Golf, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Sunday, May 2 - Sunday Brunch, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit salad, cinnamon applesauce, orange juice and milk.

Monday, May 3 - Lunch - BBQ pork sandwich, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus and applesauce. Dinner - Swiss steak with gravy, baked potato, pears and Prince Charles vegetable blend. 9:30 a.m. Back on Duty, 10 a.m. quilting, 1 p.m. Bridge and Clogging, 2:30 p.m. Bunco.

Tuesday, May 4 - Lunch - shepherd's pie, cauliflower and grapefruit.

Dinner - liver and onions, fried cabbage with bacon, carrots and fruit cocktail. 10 a.m. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Euchre, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Computer Class by KCC, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, May 5 - Lunch - deluxe hamburger on a bun, lettuce and tomato, O'Brien potatoes and apricots. Dinner - roast beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, apple and lemon bars. 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Commodities at St. Mary's, 1 p.m. pool league and Wii Bowling, 5:30 p.m. Cardio.

Thursday, May 6 - Lunch - lemon pepper chicken over noodles, winter blend vegetables, carrots and pears. Dinner - Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, cauliflower, broccoli and peaches. 10 a.m. craft class, 12 p.m. NARFE meeting, 1 p.m. UNO Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 85 complaints the week of April 19 - April 25.

One general assistance, 17 general non-criminal complaints, one trees/brush/grass fire, four false alarm activations, one assault and battery/simple assault, one burglary/home invasion, seven larcenies, one fraudulent activity, one damage to property, one obstruction of justice, two public peace disorderlies, one operating while intoxicated, four health and safeties, one conservation, four miscellaneous criminal offenses, three traffic accidents, one traffic violation-civil infraction, three hazardous conditions, one inspection/investigation-

motor vehicle, two inspections/investigations-property, four inspections/investigations-other, six family troubles-domestic, 15 suspicious situations and one driving violation/driving while license suspended.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to www.crawford-sheriff.org.

Area Events

Houghton Lake - The regular monthly meeting of North Central Area Chapter #19, State Employee Retirees Association, will be held on Tuesday, May 4, at the Houghton Lake Community Building at 2 p.m. All retired state employees and their spouses are invited.

Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for April 25 of \$25 each: John Keir, Deb Perierd and Clarence Bryans.

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At Forest Dunes Golf Club, Thursday May 20th. Shotgun start at 1:00 p.m.

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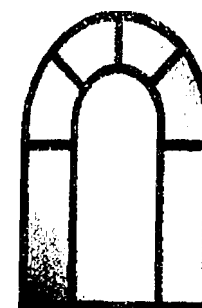
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Each mulligan is also an entry into a drawing for a one night stay and a round of golf for four at Forest Dunes, (\$1000

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The Bible Speaks

Israel's Fall was not Final

Israel's Fall was not Final. In the first ten verses of Romans chapter eleven we saw that God's rejection of Israel was not total. "I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. ... God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. ... God assured us He has reserved a remnant of faithful Jews in every generation. Now beginning in Romans 11:11 we will be reminded that Israel's rejection or fall as a nation was neither total, nor final. God explains how His eternal purpose is still fulfilled in spite of Israel's temporary fall. "I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy." More details are explained in verses 26,27: 26And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: 27For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins."

First, God's salvation of the Jewish nation of Israel is preserved: "I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid."

Isaiah 45:17 promised: 17But Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end." "26Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore." (Ezekiel 37:26). "14And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them. 15And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God." (Amos 9:14,15). As God promised Abraham in Genesis 13:15: "15For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever."

Second, God's salvation of the Gentile nations is pursued: "11b but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles. ... As Paul and Barnabas told the Jews in Acts 13:46: "46Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first

have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles." Again Paul told the Jews in Acts 18:6: "6And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said unto them, Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles." Again Paul told the Jews in Acts 28:28: "28Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it."

Third, God's salvation of the Gentile nations is provoking to the Jews: "...11c for to provoke them to jealousy." God's whole thought of provoking the Jews was to stimulate them, excite them to rivalry, and provoke them to emulation. As Paul says in Romans 11:14: "14If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them." As Paul said in 1 Corinthians 9:20: "20And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews. ... True Christians love Jews. Pastor "B"

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Range Firing

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek, May 6-12.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd. and on the east by Carrier Rd., May 6-9 and 11.

Range 17, Hand Grenade Range located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.), May 12.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek, May 10-12.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), May 6-12.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of county Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), May 6-12.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, May 6-12.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on: Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail; Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd.; Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.; Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation at 989-348-6371. For further information call 989-344-6100.

Military News

Tyler L. Cannoy of Grayling, has joined Company D 1/125th Infantry Battalion, Michigan Army National Guard and is assigned as an Infantryman.

He is scheduled to attend basic training on June 16, 2010, at Fort Benning, Ga. Cannoy is a junior at Grayling High School and is the son of Karen and Teddie Cannoy of Grayling.

Obituaries

Rebecca A. Baynham
Rebecca Ann Baynham, 70, of Maple Forest Township, passed away on Friday, April 23, 2010.

She was born in Owosso, on July 9, 1939, daughter of Velma Sworthwood.

She married Larry Baynham on October 7, 1957, in Grayling.

She lived in Maple Forest Township for most of her life where she enjoyed her family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Larry of 52 years; children: Larry Jr. (Sandy) of Maple Forest Township, Ed (Patti) Baynham of Maple Forest Township, Joan (Art) Canfield of Florence, Wis., Jane (Jay) Osga of Maple Forest Township, Ted (Ali) Baynham of Maple Forest Township; 14 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brothers: Jim (Eathel) Gilkins of Alma, Richard (Linda) Whaley of Mio, George (Dee) Brown of Adrian, Mike (Nancy) Brown of Traverse City, Tom Brown of Owosso; and sister, Mary Brown of Swartz Creek.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Velma Jackson.

A funeral was held on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, with Pastor Ernie Wagner officiating.

Interment will be at Maple Forest Township Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Lovells Historical Society.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Robert Pollman
Robert Pollman, 83, of Grayling, passed away on Monday April 26, 2010.

Arrangements are incomplete at this time. Please call 348-2951 or go to www.sorensonlockwood.com for arrangements.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

To all my friends in Roscommon and Grayling, thank you for all of your thoughtfulness during this past month. The cards, letters and phone calls have been very comforting. The library will have some lovely new additions to its collection.

Thank you so much for everything.

Anne D. Toprak
Grayling

Card of Thanks

Boy Scout Troop 979 would like to thank everyone who attended our pancake fundraiser. Special thanks to our past and present supporters St. Francis Episcopal Church, Glen's Markets Grayling and Roscommon, Crawford County Avalanche, Gannon Broadcasting, family and friends.

Linda G. Henderson
Linda Gail Henderson, died on Friday, April 23, 2010.

She was born January 27, 1944, in Pontiac, the daughter of the late Bill and Helen Howard of Carp Lake.

She was the widow of the late Charles "Chuck" Henderson, her beloved husband and best friend.

She devoted her life to God, husband, family and friends. She was a caring, loving person who touched the heart of many lives. She loved most spending time with her family and friends, always with a laugh, smile, and shoulder to cry on.

Although she battled many illnesses, she never gave up on her faith in God, always trusting his promises, always comforting others in the face of her own pain. She will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her son, Kevin Henderson and wife Jennifer, of Gaylord; her grandchildren, Jessica Henderson of Kenosha, Wis., and Sarah Henderson of Gaylord. She is also survived by her brothers, Lee Howard and wife Sue, of Levering, Bill Howard and wife Cindy, of Levering; and sister, Susan Hancock of Gaylord.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Cherri Mummert.

Funeral services for Linda were held on Monday, April 26, 2010, at 1 p.m. at the Resurrection Life Center on M-72 in Grayling. The Rev. Bud Mann officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family of Linda Henderson through the Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734.

Friends may share condolences online at www.nelsonsfuneralhome.com.

Joseph P. White, Jr.

Joseph Peter White, Jr., 69, of Grayling, passed away on Friday, April 23, 2010.

He was born in Detroit, on August 12, 1940, the son of the late Joseph Peter and Dora (Isler) White.

He married Barbara Ann White on December 7, 1974, in Grayling.

He began his working life as a plumber. He then entered law enforcement in Crawford County and "worked his way up the ranks".

He was first appointed as the Sheriff and then elected. He retired in 1984.

He also served as the Fire Chief of Grayling, and Mayor Pro Tem.

He is survived by his wife Barbara, of 36 years; sons, David White of Grayling, Paul (Tina) White of Ireland; grandchildren: Chip, C.J., and Samantha; great-granddaughter, Hailey; brother: Denny Miller.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother Chuck.

Private family service will be held with interment at Elmwood Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Memorial contributions may be directed to AuSable Valley Animal Shelter.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Church Directory

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209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
(989) 732-7001
Sunday Service 10:30 am
April through October
2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 pm
Sunday School 10:30 am

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo
400 Michigan Ave. - (989) 348-2974
www.michelsonmemorial.org - Barrier Free
Traditional Service 9 am
Coffee Hour 10 am
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Saturday Church Service 9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm

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Pastor: Larry Hankins
8133 Bald Hill Rd. - Lovells
(989) 348-2701
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Wed Prayer & Bible Study 7:30 pm

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Springs Window Fashions brings Earth Day lessons to AuSable Primary students

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Employees at the Grayling plant process and dry basswood harvested from forests in northern Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, which is used to manufacture wooden shades, blinds and shutters for homes. The blinds and shades, which are sold under the name brands Graber, Bali and Nanick, are available in major retail stores such as Home Depot, Lowe's and Sears. The company, located in Grayling's Industrial Park, has a workforce of 80 employees.

Patishnock read Shel Silverstein's book, "The Giving Tree," which parallels the life of a tree and a boy. The tree provides fruit and a place to climb when the boy is young, then allows the boy to use its branches to build a house and trunk to build a boat when he becomes older. When the boy becomes an old man, the stump of the tree is used as a place to sit and rest. A copy of the book was left in each classroom.

Patishnock also gave the

students a piece of a blind that they could use as a straightedge or ruler. She then explained how the local Springs Window Fashions plant uses sawdust and woodchips left over from its manufacturing process to fire its kilns. Excess woodchips are also sold to make wood pellets used in stoves to heat homes. The sawdust and chips are also sold for animal bedding and to farmers to help fertilize their land.

The students received puzzles and activity sheets to work on and take home. The highlight of the presentation came when Patishnock gave each student a bookmark made of biodegradable fibers which was embedded with seeds. When planted, the seeds will grow into Black-Eyed Susan flowers. The bookmark can be planted indoors or directly in a garden.

Second grade teacher Amanda Cobb said the classroom visit fit in perfect with lessons the students were learning for Earth Day.

"I think it's great that we're able to do it for Earth Day," Cobb said. "It shows how a place in our community makes sure they use all of their products and materials and nothing goes to waste. I think it's important for the kids to see that we have that in our community."

Second grader Misty Hinds was impressed with how Springs Window Fashions utilized its materials left from making the blinds.

"That's how you recycle and reuse," she said.

Second grader Joceyln Brown said the lesson added some excitement to Earth Day.

"I thought the activities were fun and I like playing with the rulers and stuff," Brown said.

Patishnock said Springs Window Fashions plans to make the Earth Day lessons an annual outreach program. Teachers can also order lesson plan kit through the company.

"Hopefully, our message of renewable energy and

recycling will make a difference to these kids," Patishnock said.

Earth Day classroom visits were done by Scott Fawcett, the Springs Window Fashions President and CEO, and associates from the company's eight sales, marketing and manufacturing facilities in North America.

The company, in conjunction with the Arbor Day Foundation, is donating 100,000 trees that will be planted to create new forests.

Patishnock said she is sure that some of the trees will be planted in the Grayling area.

"It's in everyone's best interest to have renewable forests," she said. "It's better for the environment and it's better for the economy."

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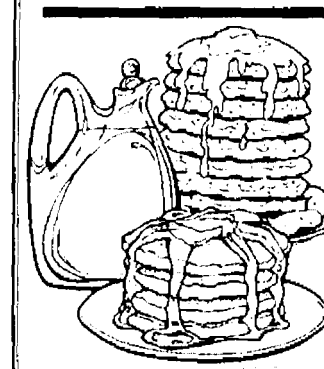
Chelsea and Dustin Partello, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Brody Carl, born at Mercy Hospital on April 13, 2010, at 1:53 p.m., weighing 7 lbs., 14 ozs., and measuring 21 inches in length.

Jennifer and Timothy Rombach, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Luke Ryan, born at Mercy Hospital on April 16, 2010, at 4:22 p.m., weighing 9 lbs., 3 ozs., and measuring 19 1/2 inches in length.

Sara and Mike Trosper, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Kyle Anthony, born at Mercy Hospital on April 18, 2010, at 2:41 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 15 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

Sabrina Galvani and Chard Perkins, of Frederic, announce the birth of a son, Mason Edward, born at Mercy Hospital on April 15, 2010, at 6:20 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 11 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

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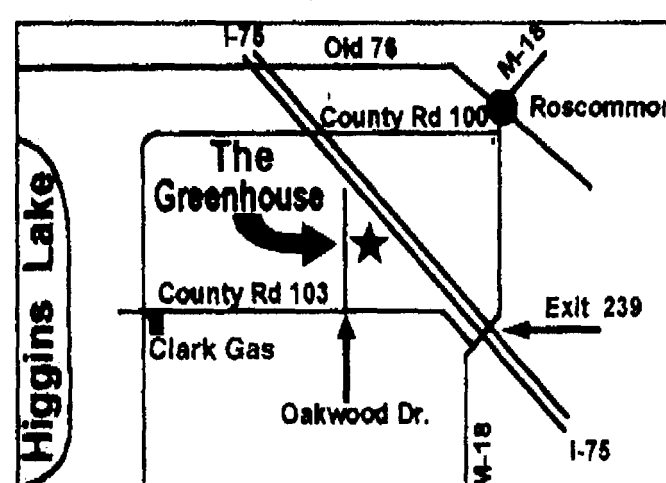
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The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Ambassador Club selected Fenton's Auto Service as April's Spotlight-a-Member. Pictured above are owners George Jr. and Gail Fenton.

Fenton's Auto Service was selected as the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Ambassador's Club Spotlight-A-Member Award recipient for April.

Fenton's Auto Service has been a successful auto repair facility in Grayling for over 25 years. It was opened by Mildred and George Fenton Sr. in 1986, with George Jr. employed as an Auto Mechanic.

Fenton's began as George's Auto Service in 1976. It was located where the Subway restaurant is now. It closed for a brief time in 1984 and re-opened at its current location, 602 N. James St., in September of 1986.

George Sr. and Mildred built a successful business through dependable, honest service, and passed their val-

ues and knowledge on to their son, George Jr.

George Jr. worked for his parents until his father retired in January of 2003. He then worked with his mother until he purchased the business with his wife, Gail, in August of 2005.

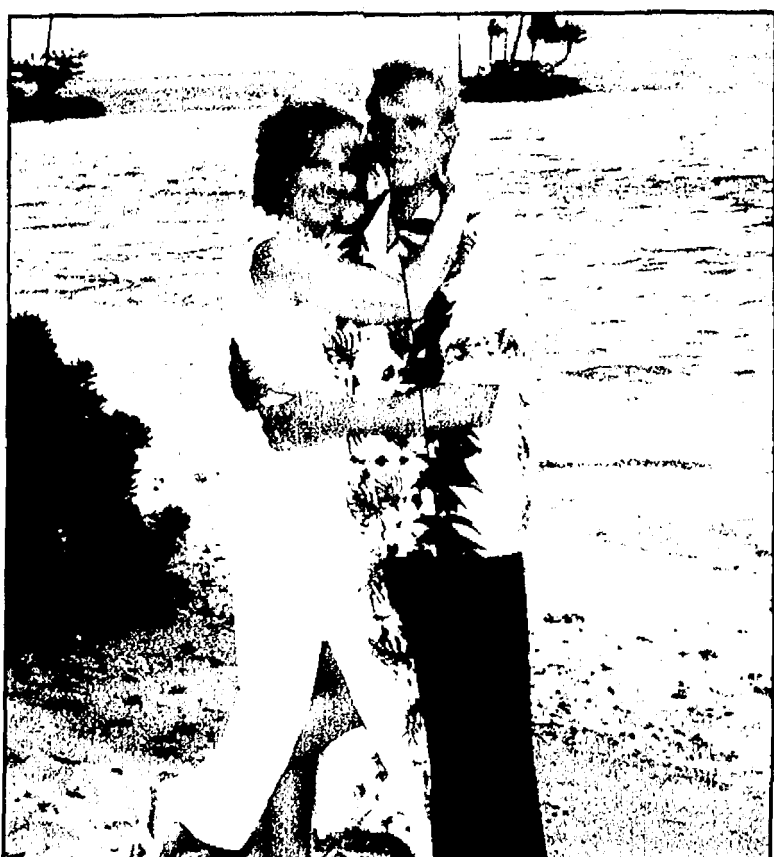
Mildred stayed on to train Gail to take over her position of secretary/treasurer and then retired in September of 2005.

"The business continues to be very busy with loyal customers who have been bringing their cars to Fenton's for many years as well as with new customers coming in almost every day," said George Jr.

"Everyone wants to talk to George; they know he will find a way to take care of whatever their car needs," said Gail.

60th Wedding Anniversary**Josephine and Franz Kersch**

Friends are invited to an open house to help celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on May 8, at Beaver Creek Township Park, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. No gifts please.

Mahaffy, Bobenmoyer wed**Tammy Mahaffy and Keith Bobenmoyer**

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Tyler Brigham, left, hits a drive during the Grayling Invitational on Thursday morning. Taylor DesEnfants, right, putts during Thursday's meet.

Golfers win league meet

Vikings finish 2nd in Thursday's Grayling Invitational

Grayling High School's boys golf team took first place in a league meet and second place in its seven-team Grayling Invitational tournament on Monday and Thursday, respectively.

The Vikings posted a score of 168 – the best team tally of the meet by five strokes – during Monday's eight-team Lake Michigan Conference meet at East Jordan. Traverse City St. Francis took second (173) and Charlevoix finished third (175).

Tyler Brigham and Dakota Peterson shot 41s for GHS. Taylor DesEnfants posted a 42. Ethan Lewis finished at 44, Josh Johnson 48, and Tyler Hanson 51.

"Great win for the team," Coach Dan DesEnfants said. "Nobody was on fire – just a good team effort. Tyler Brigham is really improving

every day and the contribution of Ethan Lewis was key on a day when our veterans were a little off."

On Thursday morning, the Vikings posted a second place finish in a seven-team field during the Grayling Invitational, a meet held at the Grayling Country Club.

The top three teams were Charlevoix (308), Grayling (325), and Farwell (334).

T. DesEnfants shot a 76. Johnson posted a 79. Brigham finished at 83.

Derek Lorenc 87, Peterson 91, and Mason Krey 101.

"Another great team effort. Our seniors led the way this time. We could have won with this score but ran into a hot Charlevoix team. They set a team scoring record at 308. Contributions from Tyler Brigham and Derek Lorenc can't be overlooked. Josh Johnson shot par on the back nine and Taylor played well too, with really only one bad hole." Coach DesEnfants said.

DesEnfants said.

The Vikings will compete in a league meet at Boyne Mountain on Thursday, April 29.

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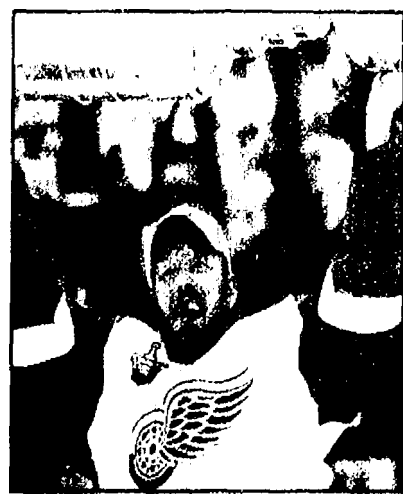
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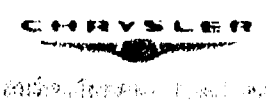
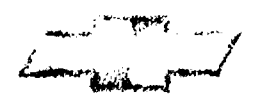
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Vikings push league record to 4-0 with sweep at TCSF Baseball team wins 16-3, 12-7 at Harrison

The GHS varsity baseball team improved its league record to 4-0 with victories at Traverse City St. Francis last Tuesday.

Grayling won 15-0 (mercy rule) in the first game of the series. Zach Wolcott pitched all four innings for Grayling, striking out seven and finishing with a no-hitter.

At the plate, leading hitters for GHS were: Wolcott, 2 for 4, 1 RBI, 1 run; Riley Zigila, 2 for 3, 3 RBIs, 3 runs; Jensen Aubry, 2 for 4, 1 RBI, 2 runs; Tyler Hanson, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; Jeff Enos, 1 for 3, 2 RBIs, 1 run; Jake Helsel, 1 for 4, 2 RBIs; Ethan Lewis, 1 for 4, 1 run.

"(We) had 10 hits and played error free in the first game," Coach John Schneider said.

In game two, GHS won 6-4. Taylor DesEnfants pitched 4 and 2/3 innings, allowing three hits and six walks. He picked up the win. Wolcott got the final four outs - three via strikeout - to earn a save.

Leading hitters: Hanson, 2 for 3, 2 RBIs, 1 run, 3 steals; Wolcott, 1 for 3, 1 RBI, 1 run; Helsel, 1 for 2; Zigila, 1 for 3, 1 RBI, 1 run; Zane Tobin, 1 for 2, 1 run; Lewis, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; DesEnfants, 1 for 3, 1 run.

"(Our) defense committed three errors that did not help, giving up unearned runs," Coach Schneider said. "(We) hit the ball hard

but had a hard time getting them to drop."

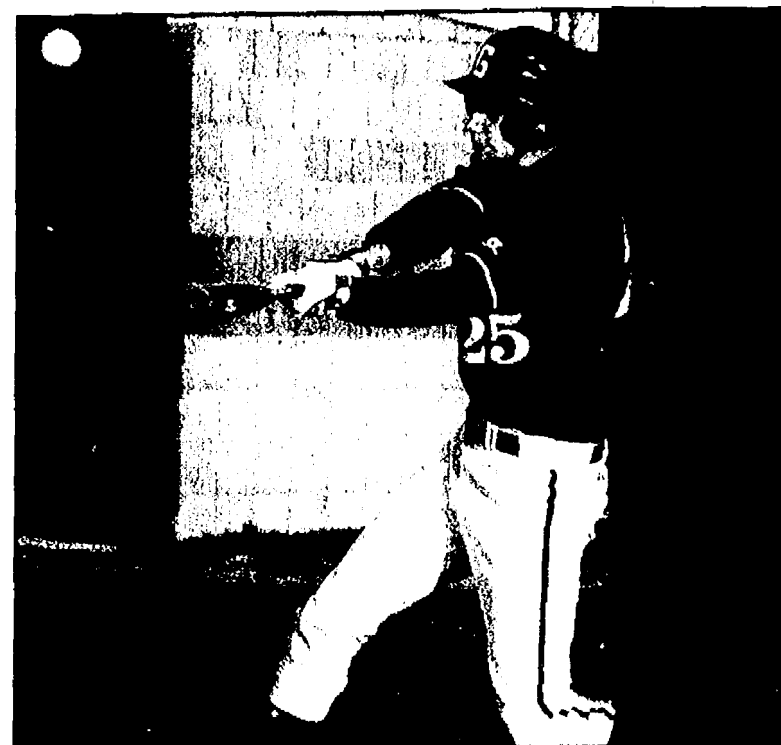
The Vikings swept the Harrison Hornets 16-3, 12-7 at Harrison on Thursday.

Leading hitters for GHS in the series (both games combined) were: Hanson, 4 for 8, 6 runs, 1 RBI; Joe White, 2 for 8, 2 runs, 1 RBI; Helsel, 1 for 7, 3 runs, 6 RBIs; Joe Contreras, 3 for 5, 1 run, 5 RBIs; Zigila, 2 for 7, 4 runs, 2 RBIs, 3 steals; Tobin, 4 for 9, 4 runs, 1 RBI; Lewis, 4 for 7, 2 runs, 4 RBIs; Aubry, 3 for 8, 4 runs, 1 RBI.

Tobin, Zigila, and Wolcott pitched for GHS in the series. Tobin allowed only two hits and three earned runs in a complete game effort. Wolcott struck out nine batters in four innings, allowing two hits and no runs.

"The kids have been doing very well playing short-handed the past two games, missing some starters. We had a couple of players that broke some team rules and one swearing into the military. Our young players have stepped up after being moved up to help shore things up. We are 4-0 in the (Lake Michigan Conference) and 7-0-1 (overall). I am very happy with our progress. The kids have improved on defense over last year," Coach Schneider said.

On Saturday, the Vikings won one and lost one in a



Zane Tobin hits the ball for the Vikings on Tuesday at Traverse City.

tournament at Standish.

Grayling fell 7-0 vs. Standish, the team's first loss of the season.

Aubry, who threw all seven innings for GHS, allowed only one hit and no earned runs. He struck out six, walked three, and hit three batters. The Vikings committed seven errors in the loss.

At the plate, Grayling had only four hits.

"We had one of those games where we hit the ball right to the defense," Coach Schneider said.

The Vikings defeated Gladwin 9-4 at Standish. Grayling trailed 3-2 after four innings but scored five in the fifth.

DesEnfants, who threw a complete game for the

Vikings, picked up his third win of the year. He allowed three earned runs on five hits and six walks. He struck out nine batters.

Leading hitters: Luke Schneider, 1 for 3, 1 run; Hanson, 2 for 4, 1 run; Wolcott, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; Zigila, 2 for 4, 2 runs, 2 RBIs; Lewis, 1 for 2, 1 run, 2 RBIs; DesEnfants, 1 for 3, 3 runs; Aubry, 2 for 4, 1 run, 3 RBIs.

"The first game we did not play up to our expectations. Even I had an error," Coach Schneider said. "It was one of those games you forget and move on."

Grayling (10-1-1 overall, 4-0 league) will play in the Saginaw Heritage Invitational on Saturday, May 1.

Softball squad splits vs. Harrison, TCSF

The GHS varsity softball team posted two splits last week.

Grayling won 11-4 in game one of last Tuesday's league doubleheader at Traverse City St. Francis. Joni Bindschatel pitched all six innings for the Vikings.

The Gladiators won game two 15-5.

"We came out on a mission in game one. We hit the ball hard, ran the bases well, and played sound defense. Molly Rinekey really set the tone on offense, pounding out four hits and knocking in three runs. Joni Bindschatel pitched a solid game for us as well," Coach Keri Brock said.

"I thought we gave the

GHS confidence at the end of the first game which seemed to filter into the next. They jumped on us early and our offense was unable to make up for our defensive mistakes. In those situations we really need the bottom half of our lineup to produce like they are capable of," Coach Brock said.

Leading hitters for GHS: (game one) Teresa Schreiber, 1 for 3, 3 runs; Bindschatel, 2 for 3, 2 runs; Rinekey, 4 for 4, 3 RBIs, 4 runs; Kirstie Wakeley, 3 for 4, 3 RBIs; Kelsey Neuberger, 1 for 4, 1 RBI; Caitlin Prosser, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; (game two) Schreiber, 2 for 3; Bindschatel, 2 for 2, 1 run; Rinekey, 2 for 3, 2 runs; Jordan Stephan, 2 for 3, 1 run; Wakeley, 1 for 2, 1 run, 1 RBI, 2 steals.

"Our league is solid from top to bottom. Teams that normally hang toward the bottom are splitting with teams that usually finish in the top three. We are 3-1 in the (Lake Michigan Conference) at this point and to compete for that top spot we will have to find a way to keep the focus for an entire doubleheader," Coach Brock said.

The Vikings split a non-conference series at



Teresa Schreiber puts the ball in play at Traverse City on Tuesday.

Harrison on Thursday. The Hornets won game one 7-3. Grayling took game two 10-9 in extra innings.

"Our coaching staff knew we had to jump on Harrison early and allow their inexperience to take over. Our players put the ball in play but it seemed as though the bats would fall silent every time we had runners in scoring position. We stranded nine runners in game one and that's just not an option when you are playing a team that doesn't make many mistakes," Coach Brock said.

"Game two was a roller-coaster ride. We had to stage

a comeback in the late innings and a double by Makenna Harwood started it all. She was clutch for us. The girls were able to match the Hornet attack and tie things up to force extra innings. We have spent a couple practices really focusing on the suicide squeeze. We were fortunate enough to have a good base runner, Kelsey Neuberger, on third and an experienced bunter up to bat. Teresa Schreiber put down the perfect bunt toward first base and Kelsey didn't hesitate to score. I am very proud of their execution under pressure," Coach Brock said.

Leading hitters for Grayling: (game one) Bindschatel, 1 for 4, 1 run; Rinekey, 1 for 4; Stephan, 1 for 4, 1 run; Wakeley, 1 for 2, 1 run; Prosser, 1 for 2; (game two) Bindschatel, 2 for 3, 2 runs; Rinekey, 2 for 4, 1 run, 1 RBI; Wakeley, 2 for 4, 1 run; Stephan, 1 for 4, 2 runs, 2 RBIs; Cayla Johnson, 1 for 4, 1 RBI, 1 run; Harwood, 1 for 3, 1 RBI, 2 runs; Prosser, 2 for 4, 1 RBI.

Grayling (6-4 overall, 3-1 league) will play in the St. Louis Tournament on Saturday, May 1.

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JV baseball team sweeps Hornets, Glads

The GHS junior varsity baseball squad posted sweeps vs. the Harrison Hornets and the TCSF Gladiators and a split vs. the Mancelona Ironmen last week. Grayling hosted all three series.

On Friday, the Vikings won 9-7 and lost 14-4 vs. Mancelona.

"Jeff Enos was phenomenal pitching in relief. He had nine strikeouts and held a very potent offense to only a couple runs. In game two we couldn't make the plays to help Zach Schreiber out. All day he made quality pitches but we had a five-error second inning that proved to be too much for us," Coach Krabill said.

"The boys have played a lot of baseball in the past couple of days and you could start to see them wear down. Mancelona is a quality team from a quality program. For us to win a game from them shows the progress we have been able to make," Coach Krabill said.

Grayling swept Harrison 17-1, 15-2 on Thursday.

"We came out aggressive

today. In the first inning we sent 14 batters to the plate. Anytime you can get a lead it allows your pitchers to relax and throw strikes," Coach Krabill said.

Z. Schreiber got the win. He struck out six while giving up one unearned run on one hit. Nick Wells scored three runs and had two RBIs. Camren Wilson also scored three times and had two RBIs. Schreiber, Levi Korneli, Trevor Theaker and Travis Schreiber also drove in runs.

"In game two Travis was lights out pitching. He struck out 12 while giving up only one hit. They did manage to score two runs but we had five walks. Every starter was able to get at least one hit," Coach Krabill said. "As of late we are being very patient at the plate. When we see that pitch we want we are driving it somewhere. Our pitching has greatly improved and we are playing well as a team."

Grayling opened the week with a 10-3, 8-2 sweep vs. Traverse City St. Francis.

"Today the guys came out ready to play. Riley Zigila

threw for us and was able to hold them to one run. In the first inning we were able to get a lead and held onto it throughout," Coach Krabill said.

Wells had two doubles and Wilson had three RBIs. Joey Schwartz and Dave Somero each had an RBI.

"In game two Zane Tobin pitched well for us. Travis Schreiber came in relief and shut down (Traverse City St. Francis). The only runs given up were because of walks. If we can continue to play ball like this we will be a dangerous team," Coach Krabill said.

On April 16, the Vikings split at Harbor Springs. They lost 9-2 in game one and won 7-3 in game two.

"The weather played a huge factor in what we were able to do. Travis Schreiber picked up our first victory of the year and only allowed one hit. In game one Zach pitched great but two plays cost us five runs. If we can keep our walks and errors down we can compete with anyone. In the second game we were able to do that and we pulled out the win,"



Nick Wells runs from second base to third vs. Harrison.

Coach Krabill said.

The Vikings opened their 2010 season with two losses (17-0, 19-5) at Roscommon on April 13.

"All in all errors and walks doomed us. We gave up 36 runs but at least 25 of them could have been avoided," Coach Krabill said.

The Vikings (6-4 overall) will host Traverse City West at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 29.

JV girls win two vs. Mancelona Ironmen

The Grayling Vikings swept the visiting Mancelona Ironmen 23-13, 14-12 in a JV softball series last Friday.

Taylor Duvall pitched game one and Tabatha Watkins pitched game two.

Leading hitters for GHS: (game one) Madison Junttila, 4 for 5, 2 doubles, 1 triple, 6 stolen bases, 1 RBI, 4 runs; Lindsey Johnson, 4 for 5, 9 stolen bases, 2 RBIs, 5 runs; Majerle Nielson, 3 for 3, 1 triple, 5 stolen bases, 1 RBI, 4 runs; (game two) Johnson 3 for 4, 1 RBI, 2 stolen bases, 3 runs; Darcy Greer, 3 for 4, 2 stolen bases, 1 run; Junttila, 2 for 4, 2 triples, 1 RBI, 2 runs; Watkins, 2 for 4, 1 double, 1 stolen base, 1 RBI, 2 runs; August Ledesma, 2 for 4, 1 double, 3 RBIs, 2 runs.

Grayling lost two close games vs. the visiting Harrison Hornets on

Thursday. Harrison won 7-5, 11-10.

Leading hitters for the Vikings: (game one) Johnson, 2 for 4, 4 stolen bases, 1 RBI, 1 run; Kristi Helsel, 1 for 2, 4 stolen bases, 1 run; (game two) Junttila, 3 for 4, 1 double, 1 triple, 4 RBIs, 1 stolen base, 2 runs; Lindsey Johnson, 3 for 4, 1 RBI, 2 stolen bases, 2 runs; Nielson, 2 for 4, 1 double, 3 stolen bases, 1 run; Ledesma, 2 for 4, 1 double, 2 runs.

Grayling fell 15-5, 17-13 vs. Traverse City St. Francis on Monday in a series played at GHS.

Leading hitters: (game one) Watkins, 2 for 2, 4 stolen bases, 1 run; Nielson, 3 for 3, 5 stolen bases, 1 run; Junttila, 1 for 3, 1 double, 1 RBI, 1 run; (game two) Watkins, 2 for 2, 4 stolen bases, 3 runs; Junttila, 1 for 3, 1 triple, 2 RBIs, 2 runs



Madison Junttila hits the ball for Grayling vs. Mancelona.

scored; Kelsee Dean, 1 for 3, 1 double.

"The girls played very hard against some good teams (last week). Our pitching has gotten so much better from last year, and you can really see it in our games. I feel these girls do really well when they work together as a team, but we

usually have one bad inning that we can't come back from. We still have a lot to work on, but the girls are doing a great job," Coach Sarah Allen said.

The JV Vikings (4-4 overall) will host Traverse City West on Thursday, April 29, at 4:30 p.m.

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MORTGAGE SALE: - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John M. Hartman and Sharon K. Hartman, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 31, 2006, and recorded on November 6, 2006 in Liber 684 on Page 62, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Huntington National Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Eight And 03/100 Dollars (\$93,398.03), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on May 19, 2010. Said premises are situated in

Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: PARCEL 1:

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PARCEL 2: Being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 19, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 19, Town 25 North, Range 3 West; thence North 89 degrees 07 minutes 03 seconds East along the South Section line 330.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East 660.00 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East 446.34 feet; thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds East at right angles to the West Section line 329.93 feet; thence South 00 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds West 439.38 feet; thence South 89 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds West 330.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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MORTGAGE SALE: - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Majestic Hills Development, Inc., a Michigan corporation, Mortgagee, to Wolverine Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 10, 2006, and recorded on March 13, 2006, in Liber 680, on page 165, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due on the date of this notice the sum of Two Hundred Sixty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy and 64/100 Dollars (\$262,970.64), including interest accruing at 25.00% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 12, 2010. The Mortgagee will apply the sales proceeds to the debt secured by the Mortgage as stated above, plus interest accruing at 25.00% per annum, all legal costs and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law; and also any amount paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interest in the property. The land subject to the mortgage is described as follows:

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Dated: April 8, 2010

Wolverine Bank, Mortgagee Simon, Galasso & Frantz, P.L.C. Attorneys for Mortgagee Robert S. Boffon, Esq. 363 W. Big Beaver Rd., Suite 250 Troy, MI 48064 (248) 720-0290

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Leaves Grayling 6:45 a.m.	Leaves Grayling 11:30 a.m.
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Leaves Grayling 1:00 p.m.	Leaves Grayling 5:00 p.m.
Leaves Grayling 3:30 p.m.	
Leaves Grayling 5:00 p.m.	

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Leaves Grayling 3:30 p.m.	
Leaves Grayling 5:00 p.m.	

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To request weekday demand response services call dispatch @ 348-5409

M-72 WEST
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RURAL HEALTH INITIATIVE TRIPS:
Individuals requiring out of town transportation to medical appointments may qualify for medical transportation services.

Contact Julie Dean @ 348-8215

SPECIAL EVENT TRIPS:

Tuesday, May 11, 2010
Turtle Creek Casino in Williamsburg (Minimum 25 People)

May 20, 2010
Loons Baseball Trip in Midland 8am-4pm
\$25 per person
Call to reserve your seat today!
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Legal Action

NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kerry M. Ball and Nancy L. Ball, husband and wife, to Firstbank-West Branch Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated December 20, 2004 and recorded January 6, 2005 in Liber 673, Page 229, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Five and 58/100 Dollars (\$73,495.58) including interest at 5.875% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JUNE 2, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 32, Town 25 North, Range 1 West, thence North on the section line 264 feet; thence West parallel with the South line of Section 32, 165 feet; thence South parallel with the East line of said Section 264 feet to the South line; thence East along the South line to the point of beginning, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.324(1a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: April 29, 2010 Orleans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 517.0049 ASAP# 3542735 04/29/2010. 05/06/2010. 05/13/2010. 05/20/2010 -29-6-13-20

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Kenneth Bindschatel and Patricia L. Bindschatel, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 5889 N Chocow Trl, Frederic, MI 49733-9799. The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1312. The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website

or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at <http://www.michigan.gov/mshda> or at (866) 946-7432. If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from April 23, 2010, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after April 23, 2010. If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement. The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: April 29, 2010 For more information, please call: FCL (248) 593-1312 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 File # 308751F02 -29

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate FILE NO. 10-7736-DE

Estate of Robert Oliver Smith Date of birth: 9/11/1921.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Robert Oliver Smith, who lived at AuSable Valley Home, 1390 Maple Drive, Oscoda, Michigan died October 28, 2009. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mark S.C. Smith, named personal representative or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date April 19, 2010

Attorney William C. Bowron P24906 3588 Veterans Drive, Suite 1 Traverse City, MI 49684 (231) 929-0765

Personal Representative Mark S.C. Smith 2718 Reynolds Road Interlochen, MI 49643 (231) 275-2577 -29

MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT

PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Daniel M. Bonanie, a married man, Angie M. Bonanie, his wife, Patricia Bonanie, a single woman, mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Co. Central MI, n/k/a Independent Mortgage Co., mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated May 12, 2006, and was recorded on May 16, 2006, in Liber 681 on page 498 of the Crawford County records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$74,204.69, including interest at 6% per year variable. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on June 2, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan and is described as:

Lot 3, Block 8, HADLEY'S AMENDED ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of plats, Page 8, Crawford County records.

commonly known as 402 Elm Street, Grayling, MI tax id. 070-181-008-003-00

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.324(1a), in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.324(1a) expires, whichever is later.

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER, P.C.

Dated: April 21, 2010 By: Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393) Attorney for Independent Mortgage Co., Mortgagee 900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219 Bay City, MI 48707 (989) 892-4574 -29-6-13-20

MORTGAGE SALE

This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by JAMES G. TIPSWORD, a single person, Mortgagor, to INDEPENDENT BANK, having its principal office at 4200 East Bellline, Grand Rapids, MI 49525, Mortgagee, dated April 28, 2008 and recorded May 8, 2008 in Liber 691 of Mortgages, Page 587. By reason of such default the undersigned elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of said mortgage due and payable forthwith.

At the date of this Notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on said mortgage the sum of **TWENTY SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY NINE AND 96/100 (\$27,979.96)** dollars, including interest at the rate of 7.50% per annum. No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided and to pay said amount with interest as provided in said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law, said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder at the lobby of the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, the place of holding the Circuit Court within the County of Crawford, City of Grayling, Michigan, on **June 2, 2010**, at 10:00 a.m. local time.

Pursuant to Public Act No. 104, Public Acts of 1971 [MCLA 600.324(12), MSA 27A.324(12)] the redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined to be abandoned under MCLA 600.324(1a); MSA 27A.324(11), in which case the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale.

The premises covered by said mortgage are situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, described as follows, to wit: Parcel 1 (Parcel 9): A parcel of land on part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 8, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 8; thence South 89 deg 45'08" East, 825.31 feet along the South line of said Section 8 to the point of beginning; thence North 01 deg 11'19" East 203.17 feet; thence 254.10 feet along a curve to the left and centerline of Skyline Trail, said curve having a radius of 923.17 feet; a delta angle of 15 deg 46'13", a long chord of 253.29 feet, bearing North 79 deg 01 39" East; thence South 01 deg 11'19" West, 252.46 feet; thence North 89 deg 45'08" West, 247.64 feet along the South line of said Section 8 to the point of beginning.

Parcel J (Parcel 10): A parcel of land on part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 8, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 8; thence South 89 deg 45'08" East, 1072.95 feet along the South line of said Section 8 to the point of beginning; thence North 01 deg 11'19" East 252.46 feet; thence 227.65 feet along a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 923.17 feet, a delta angle of 14 deg 07'44", long chord of 227.07 feet, bearing North 64 deg 04'41" East; thence North 57 deg 19'07" East, 54.78 feet along said centerline of Skyline Trail; thence South 01 deg 11'19" West 382.41 feet; thence North 89 deg 45'08" West 247.64 feet along the South line of said Section 8 to the point of beginning.

Date: April 21, 2010

INDEPENDENT BANK Mortgagee

SCHENK, BONCHER & RYPMAN

Gary P. Schenk P19970 601 Three Mile Road, N.W. Grand Rapids, MI 49544-1601 (616) 647-8277

-29-6-13-20

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Kevin Roediger, a married man and Brandi Roediger, his wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, Mortgagee, dated August 19, 2004, and recorded on October 6, 2004, in Liber 671, Page 858, Crawford County Records, said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2004-HE4, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates by an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 16, 2006 and recorded September 12, 2006 in Liber 683, Page 89, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Five Hundred Four and 88/100 (\$51,504.88) including interest at the rate of 9.20000% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Crawford County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on June 2, 2010. Said premises are situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 101, Holiday Heights No.2, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, page 41, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as: 11568 Baric Drive The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.324(1a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. Dated: April 29, 2010 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2004-HE4, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 248-335-9200 Case No. 100M100208-1 ASAP# 3537882 04/29/2010. 05/06/2010. 05/13/2010. 05/20/2010 -29-6-13-20

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on May 12, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: A part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West; Commencing at the Center 1/4 corner of said Section 7 and running thence North 88 degrees 00' West on the 1/4 line 1082.8 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 88 degrees 00' West on 1/4 line, 150 feet; thence North 2 degrees 00' East, 300 feet; thence South 88 degrees 00' East, 150 feet; thence South 2 degrees 00' West, 300 feet to the Point of Beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.324(1a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: April 8, 2010 For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #309888F02 -8-15-22-29

MORTGAGE SALE

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by WAYNE E. GRODIE and CHERYL A. GRODIE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns.. Mortgage, dated May 23, 2008, and recorded on July 9, 2008, in Liber 692, on Page 282, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and Forty Cents (\$64,376.40), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public

venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 19, 2010

Said premises are located in Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

THE WEST 165 FEET OF THE EAST 495 FEET OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 2, TOWN 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.324(1a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 6, 2010

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns.

Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 -15-22-29-6

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy R. Myers, Jr., a married man joined by his wife, Brenda J. Myers, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated September 14, 2007, and recorded on September 20, 2007 in Liber 688 on Page 616, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Nine and 56/100 Dollars (\$73,579.56), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on May 12, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: A part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West; Commencing at the Center 1/4 corner of said Section 7 and running thence North 88 degrees 00' West on the 1/4 line 1082.8 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 88 degrees 00' West on 1/4 line, 150 feet; thence North 2 degrees 00' East, 300 feet; thence South 88 degrees 00' East, 150 feet; thence South 2 degrees 00' West, 300 feet to the Point of Beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.324(1a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: April 8, 2010 For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #309888F02 -8-15-22-29

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public

Grayling Charter Township Zoning Board to hold public hearing

The Grayling Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in public session on Monday, May 17, 2010 at 7 p.m. in the town hall to hear public comment on the following requests:

Case # 10-03 Request for variance

Petitioner: Larry King
Address: 2861 River Park Dr. Grayling, MI 49738
Local Address: Same
Property ID# 040-45-143-00-128-00
Zoning: Natural River District (NRD) East Branch of AuSable
Lot size: 78,200 sq. ft.
Request: Construct an accessory building in back of residence. The closest point of construction to the east property line will be 15-feet, requiring a variance of 15-feet.
Non-conformances: Lot is undersized for NRD, but has the required 200-feet of river frontage.
Zoning justification: Ordinance 2003-02, Article XVI, Section 16.05.D.5.

The public is encouraged to attend this hearing.

Text and maps of requests are on file in the township offices and are available for public review during normal working hours. The Grayling Township offices and meeting room are located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. Questions pertaining to this request may be directed to the Grayling Township Zoning Administrator at the town hall, or by calling (989) 348-4361.

Terry Wright Supervisor/Zoning Administrator

SAVE MONEY ON YOUR LOCAL TELEPHONE SERVICE!

Eligible low-income residential customers of Michigan Central Broadband Company are encouraged to take advantage of available discounts on their telephone bills. The **LIFELINE** program provides people on limited incomes with an \$11.25 discount (up to \$12.35 for customers age 65 or older) on their monthly telephone charges. Additionally, under the **LINK-UP** program, qualified households may receive a 50 percent reduction (up to \$30.00) on the line connection charges (if approved within 60 days of initial installation). Eligible low-income consumers living on tribal lands are eligible for an additional discount of up to \$70.00 to cover 100% of the charges between \$60.00 and \$130.00.

To qualify for the **LIFELINE** program, 2010 annual household income must be at or below 150% of the federal poverty levels shown below.

Family Size	Gross Monthly Income Less Than	Gross Annual Income Less Than*
1	\$1,354	\$16,248
2	1,821	21,852
3	2,289	27,468
4	2,756	33,072
5	3,224	38,688
6	3,691	44,292
7	4,159	49,908
8	4,626	55,512

*Subject to change. Add \$5,616 annually (\$468 monthly) for each additional household member.

Or, the person must participate in one of the following federal assistance programs: Medicaid, Food Stamps, Federal Public Housing Assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP), National School Lunch Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

Toll Blocking Service (TBS) support allows eligible consumers who wish to avoid incurring large long distance fees to choose toll blocking at no cost.

A resident of tribal lands qualifies for **LIFELINE** and **LINK-UP** if he or she meets the above criteria, or by participating in one of the following programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance Program, Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Head Start (income-qualified customer only) or National School Lunch Program (free lunch program).

For further information on **LIFELINE** and **LINK-UP**, visit www.lifeline.gov.

If you or someone you know may be eligible for this program, please call Michigan Central Broadband Company for an application.

If you are not a customer of Michigan Central Broadband Company, please contact your local telephone service provider for an application.

Michigan Central Broadband Company
397 US 41 N, P. O. Box 86
Carnay, MI 49812-0086
877-216-0505 (Toll Free)

Notice of Pesticide Application

This is to notify residents that Owen Tree Service H.D., Inc. will be applying herbicides and cutting to designated areas of Consumers Energy Transmission Power Line Right-of-Ways located throughout the county. The applications are scheduled to begin on, April 27, 2010 and run through October 31, 2010 - depending on the weather. The applications will use a low volume spray of Arsenal Powerline (imazapyr) made by BASF, Tordon K (picloram) made by Dow Agro Sciences, Escort XP (metsulfuron methyl) made by DuPont, Garlon 4 Ultra (triclopyr) made by Dow Agro Sciences, Stalker (imazapyr) made by BASF, Vista XRT (fluroxypyr) made by Dow Agro Sciences, Accord Concentrate (glyphosate) made by Dow Agro Sciences and Habitat (isopropylamine salt of imazapyr) made by BASF. Methods of spray are; backpack, ORV mounted spray unit, or truck mounted spray unit. Anyone wishing more information can contact Ray Owen or Hope Parker, at the offices of Owen Tree Service H.D., Inc., located at 225 N Lake George Rd, Attica MI 48412 or call 810-724-6651.

Features

www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



April 30, 1987 - 1987 Grayling High School Baseball Team shown here (from left to right, back row) Manager Mike Alma, Jim Knight, Matt Klemp, Brian Palmer, Kraig Hudson, Joe Erb, Bob Butler, David Somerville; (middle row) Coach Wolcott, Jeff Wolcott, Jason Teddy, Ron Bancroft, Flaskie Robbins, Skeeter Apps, Marty Jung, Chris Skidmore; (front row) Clark Allen, Steve Lehti, Mike McNamara, John Kinney, Jeff Palmer, John Meagher, Joe Ruddy.

23 Years Ago April 30, 1987

The Bear Archery Building, now known as the M-72 West Plaza, has been sold to an association known as the H & R Investment Group. John M. Porter, of Grayling, vice president and spokesman for the group, said that the 125,000 square foot complex will be managed for leasing to small or large businesses or industries.

Grayling will be one of the host sites May 2, for the 1987 Junior High Band and Orchestra Festival. Six hundred forty two students from 14 junior high schools will be competing in the state festival.

The good news was that trout fishing was excellent on opening weekend but the bad news was that some

anglers were deliberately attempting to catch grayling on Kneff Lake.

46 Years Ago April 30, 1964

Dawn Goodrich celebrated her second birthday April 18, her mother Mrs. Mike Goodrich, had four little friends Jeff and Jody Lucksted, Harold Hatfield and Wendy Elzinga over for play in the afternoon.

Tom Hatfield, 15, son of the Howard Hatfields, caught a 21 1/2 inch rainbow trout in the children's section of the East Branch, Saturday on worms. He took seven keepers all together for the day. His mother cooked the fish that night, which was enough to feed nine people.

The new gas station just south of the Arrowhead Inn is nearly completed and will be operated by Mike Lapka.

The 1964 Grayling Viking golf team lost its first two matches last week as they were down 9 to 6 by Petoskey St. Francis at Petoskey and 15 - 0 shutout at the home field by Petoskey High.

Thirteen members of the Twilight Twirlers won second place in the Youth Parade at the National Trout Festival in Kalkaska. Those taking part in their first parade were Debbie Bartholomew, Gail Desso, Cindy Dyer, Elizabeth Halstead, Colleen Kelly and Penny Taylor. It was the second trout festival for Susan Bourrie, Marie McIsaac, Debbie Miller, and Sherry Millikin.

69 Years Ago May 1, 1941

Eight carloads of sheep arrived last Thursday for C. Schultz who has a sheep

ranch northwest of Frederic, formerly Moats camp.

Dawson's are having a peach of a new neon sign placed on their store building. Workmen are busy installing it.

Miss Francis Rutkowski is the new clerk at the Grayling Bakery, taking the place of Mrs. Marion Burch. The Burch family are planning to move down to the AuSable Trout and Game Club, having taken the job of caretakers.

Peter Peterson has sold his home on Chestnut Street to Holger Schmidt.

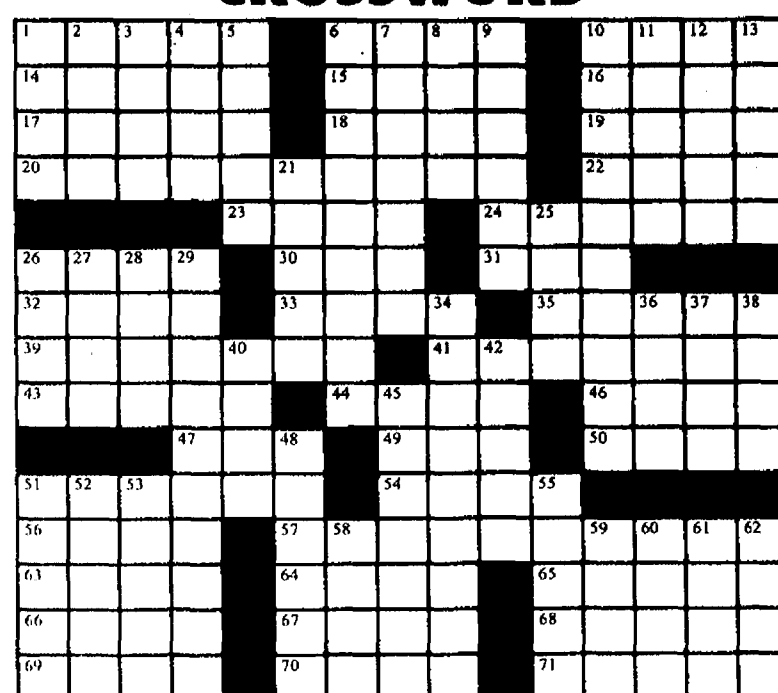
The Smock family as a whole seemed to take the cake when it came to getting nice catches of trout on the opening day of the season. Don, Howard, Bob and Jerry, all sons of Mr. and Mrs. Liland Smock, caught 40 trout between them.

92 Years Ago May 2, 1918

Wednesday evening the members of Portage Lodge K of P, gave a dinner at T-Town, in honor of their brother member, Charles Fehr, who is about to leave with his family and enter the employ of Nels Michelson in Detroit. Nearly 40 members were in attendance and the Hotel Lovely served a dinner that sustained its reputation for fine eats. Mr. Fehr was presented with a pretty gold pocket knife and chain.

Miss Ingrid Jorgenson of Ferris Institute came home Friday to visit her parents and say farewell to her brother, Henning, who has left for Camp Custer.

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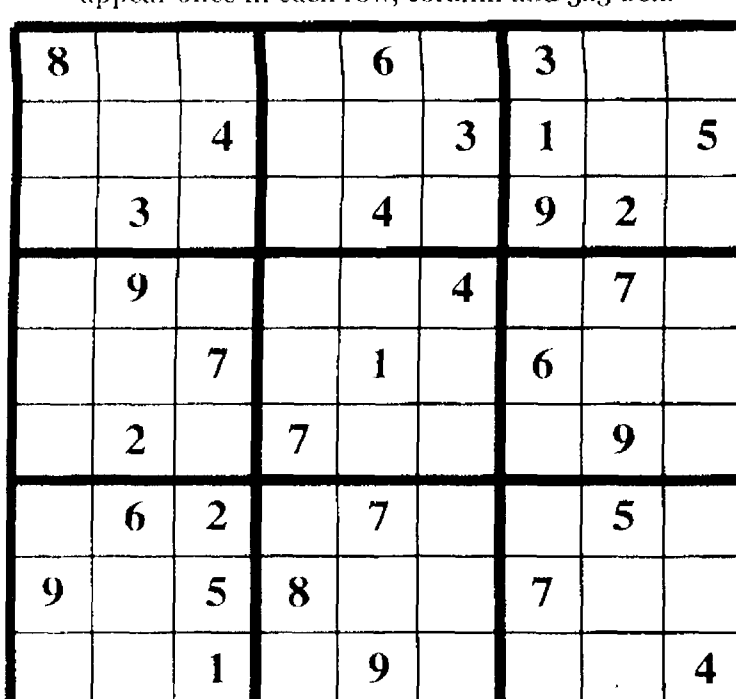
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6. Hires competition
10. "Unforgettable" singer
14. Its license plates say "Famous potatoes"
15. "I had no..."
16. "Absolutely!"
17. Big sheet
18. Neuter
19. Lamp
20. Vague
22. Condo, e.g.
23. Abominable Snowman
24. Fine fur
26. U.S. writer Clare Boothe
30. "The Joy Luck Club" author
31. Mother Teresa, for one
32. Blows it
33. Musical sign
35. Seal
39. Dish of little dumplings
41. Inconveniently placed
43. Academy Award
44. "Eh"
46. A fisherman may spin one
47. Bungle
49. Little lie
50. Milk
51. Careless
54. Dog biter
56. Do damage to
57. Tonsil remover
63. Bumpkin
64. Boat in "Jaws"
65. Change, as a clock
66. "Brockovich"
67. Call for
68. Claw
69. Light bulb unit
70. "on Down the Road"
71. "Gladiator" setting

Down

1. LP player
2. "American..."
3. Farfetched
4. Reproached
5. Bunk
6. Dried foxglove leaves
7. Fundamental component of nucleic acids
8. Drop
9. Made sorrowful
10. Slander
11. Certain Arab
12. Lightning
13. Related maternally
21. Bring in
25. Charge
26. "...mutton
27. Cemetery sights
28. Gator's cousin
29. Long, clifflike ridge
34. Continuous discharge of firearms
36. Vex, with "at"
37. Doing nothing
38. Nothing cabinet supplies
40. Clip
42. Dynamite inventor
45. Places of business
48. Earlier
51. Chronic nag
52. Mrs. Bush
53. Circle
55. Blood carrier
58. Product of protein metabolism
59. Binge
60. "Cast Away" setting
61. Advertising sign
62. Empedocles on "..." (Matthew Arnold poem)

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RULES: Fill all empty squares so that the numbers 1 to 9 appear once in each row, column and 3x3 box.



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ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

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April 29, 2010



CAPRICORN
December 22 - January 19

You have a major chore ahead of you. Start the preparations now. Capricorn, and you will have an easier time of it later. A memo drums up support for a cause.



ARIES
March 21 - April 19

Post, Aries. Someone in authority has their eye on you, and if you play your cards right, good will come of it. A special occasion requires some clever planning.



CANCER
June 22 - July 22

Broken hearts are mended, and money problems resolved. Celebrate with a little get-together. Cancer. A job offer is extended, but with strings attached.



LIBRA
September 23 - October 23

Settle down, Libra. You've worked yourself into a frenzy, and it's starting to show in your work. Take some time out to regroup and recover.



AQUARIUS
January 20 - February 18

The to-do list doubles. Don't try to tackle it alone, Aquarius. Ask for help, and you shall receive it. The answer to a transportation issue is right in front of you.



TAURUS
April 20 - May 20

A project hits a snag, but wise Taurus knows just whom to call. Working out a family issue requires compromise. Be a good sport and do your part.



LEO
July 23 - August 22

Spring has sprung, and with it so has the urge to clean. Purge your home of clutter, Leo, and watch life pick up. A work project thrives with a last-minute addition.



SCORPIO
October 23 - November 21

A vibration at home calls for drastic measures. Don't be afraid to take a stand. Scorpio. A vendetta's constant is lifted. Put the extra to good use.



PISCES
February 19 - March 20

Wake up, Pisces. An opportunity is about to pass you by. A friend divulges a secret. Keep it in the strictest of confidence. A miracle occurs at home.



GEMINI
May 21 - June 21

Everyone is thrown into a tizzy at work. Rise above it, Gemini, and set a good example. A routine checkup uncovers a little problem. Fortunately, it can be fixed easily.



VIRGO
August 23 - September 22

At last, Virgo. The item you have been waiting for finally arrives. Put it to good use. A web of deception builds at work. Stay out of it and steer clear of it.



SAGITTARIUS
November 22 - December 21

You have blown by the seat of your pants for far too long. You must do your homework here on out in order to succeed. Sagittarius. A smooch starts kicking around.

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK



CHICKEN CACCIATORE

Ingredients:

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| 4 small boneless skinless chicken breast halves (1 lb.) | 1 jar (14 oz.) spaghetti sauce |
| 1 cup 2% Milk Shredded Mozzarella Cheese | 1 pkg. (16 oz.) frozen bell pepper and onion strips, thawed, drained |

Directions: COOK chicken in large nonstick skillet on medium-high heat 2 min. on each side. Add vegetables; cover. Cook 5 min.

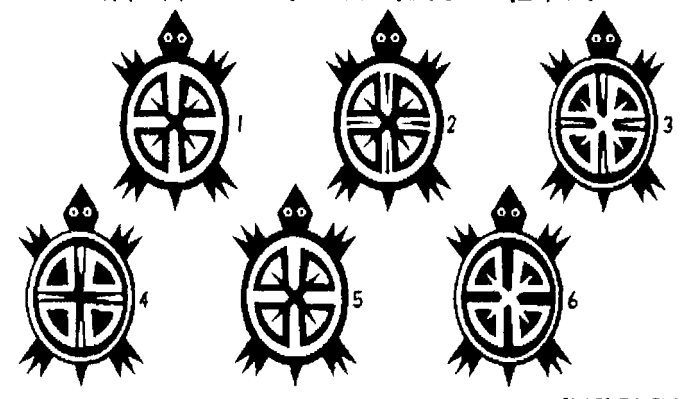
STIR in spaghetti sauce. Simmer 5 min. on medium heat or until chicken is done (165°F).

TOP with cheese.

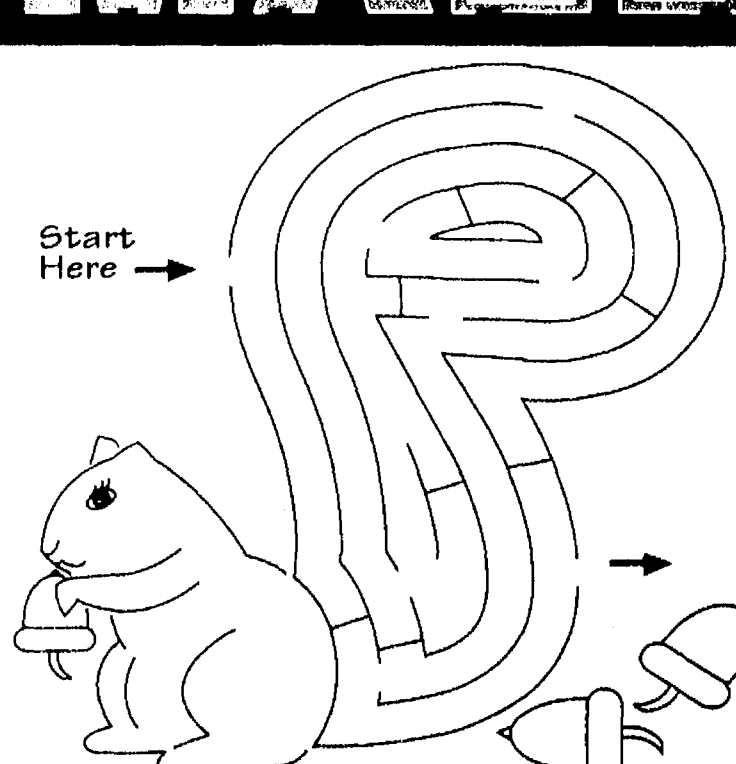
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Total Time: 20 min
Makes: 4 servings

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1. Real Estate

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HOUSE with 10 or 20 acres, 1 3/4 bath, 3 - 4 bedrooms, 30 x 40 garage near state land. Call 614 275-5955. Price reduced. (-22-29-6/1)

2. For Rent

COZY SMALL HOUSE near town. 2 BR/1Bath. W/D hook up, non smoking, no pets, seniors preferred \$450/mo, 989-390-2908. (-4/1/10/tf/2)

2. For Rent

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2 BEDROOM DUPLEX \$425 plus utilities. 348-5230. (-29-6-13-20/2)

3. Employment

3. Employment

Retail Sales Associate

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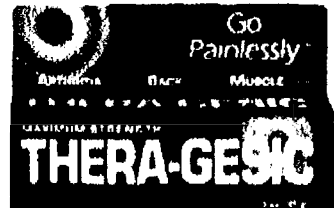
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3. Employment

CASHIER NEEDED Evergreen Party Store, 989-821-5425. (-22-29/3)

3. Employment

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HELP WANTED DJ wanted Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Big T's, Mio, MI. 989-826-6292. Must be energetic, enthusiastic, good personality with a big mouth. \$15-\$20 an hour. Knowledge of all music, genres, singing a plus. (-29-6/3)

HIGH PAYING CAREERS for men/women in transportation. Contact Liberty Truck Driving School. Call toll free for information 1-888-602-5966, www.libertytruckdrivingschool.com. (-4-11-18-24-1-8-15-22-29-6-13-20-27/3)

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SALES & MARKETING COMPANY expanding into Crawford County. Seeking part-time motivated individuals, sales experience preferred, but not necessary. No investment, training provided. Serious inquiries only. Contact 989-619-0546 or send resume to P.O. Box 335, Grayling. (-29-6/3)

3. Employment

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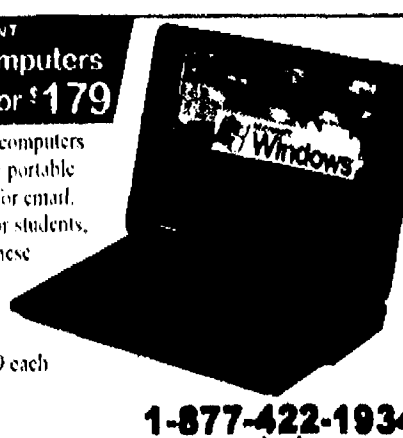


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3. Employment

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8. Announcements

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD NORTHEAST MICHIGAN AFFORDABLE HOUSING INC. HOUSEHOLD WATER WELL SYSTEM PROGRAM

The Northeast Michigan Affordable Housing Inc. is seeking public comment for the submission of the Household Water Well System Program application of USDA Rural Development for funding under the "FY2010" Household Water Well Grant Program (HWWS) in the amount of \$250,000 for the 11-county service regions (Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego & Presque Isle). Written comment will be accepted until 4:00 PM Monday May 24, 2010, and should be mailed to Northeast Michigan Affordable Housing Inc., 123 N. Second Avenue Suite 4, Alpena MI 49707. Project Summary proposed within the grant will be available to the public upon request.

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8. Announcements

WIMPY'S OPENING APRIL 29 Hours 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Don't forget to stop in! (-29/8)

SECOND TIME AROUND just south of the cemetery, will be having a going out of business sale for the next two weeks. Everything in the store is 50% off. We want to thank everyone who helped us try and make it a success. (-29/8)

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8. Announcements

8 Announcements

COMMUNITY CALENDAR Place your organization's events on Crawford County's Community Calendar. Go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, under services, to submit your event. For more information, call our office at 989-348-6811. (-3/19/09/tf/8)

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8 Announcements

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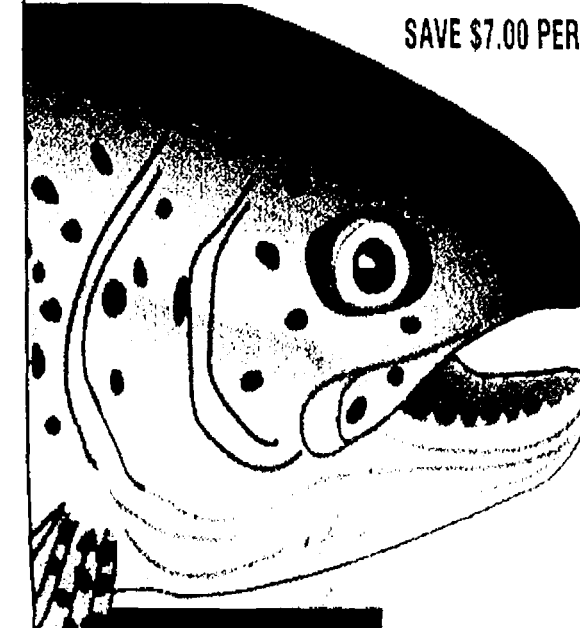
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8. Announcements

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10. Garage Sale

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Rebecca Money, left, kicks the ball for the Vikings on Thursday vs. Elk Rapids. Alyssa Morley, right, dribbles the ball for GHS vs. the Elks.

Soccer team wins 3-0 at EJ

Grayling won 3-0 at East Jordan in a varsity girls soccer contest played last Tuesday.

Hannah Haven scored all three goals for the Vikings. "Our defense did a nice job shutting down their team's offense. We came out a little chippy in the first half and were unable to connect with many of our passes. At the end of the first half the score was 0-0. The second half we did a much better job setting up each other and connecting with our passes," Coach Craig Cobb said. "We played a much better second half."

On Thursday night, the Vikings fell 2-0 in a home game vs. Elk Rapids.

"The girls did a nice job against Elk Rapids. We contained them and gave them poor shooting opportunities. Unfortunately, they had two breakaway attempts that led to both of their goals," Coach Cobb said. "I'm proud of the way the girls played. Elk Rapids got up two goals quickly and we held our ground and never gave up. We fought to the very end and had some great attempts right in front of their net in the last 10 minutes of the game. Elk Rapids

in the past has walked all over us and that wasn't the case on Thursday night. The girls continue to improve and develop and it shows as we gain ground on the better teams in our conference."

Grayling goalkeeper Ciara Summers had 17 saves in the match.

All five of Grayling's games so far have been shutouts. The Vikings (2-3 overall, 2-2 league) have won by scores of 2-0, 3-0 and lost 8-0, 6-0, 2-0. Grayling will play at Traverse City St. Francis on Thursday, April 29, at 5 p.m.

Track teams open year with EJ meet

Grayling High School's boys and girls track squads opened their 2010 seasons with the East Jordan Jamboree meet last Monday.

Overall, the Vikings won two events. Brianna Kirk placed first in the 100m dash (13.49). The boys team's 400m relay group - Nick Dorn, Dave Bergan, Trevor Dewitt, and Cody Myers - also finished first (46.5).

Other top finishers for Grayling included: (boys) 110m hurdles - Scott Parkinson, 5th, 18.75; 100m dash - Nick Dorn, 2nd, 11.63; Cody Myers, 3rd, 11.73; Xavier Lindsay, 6th, 11.88; 800m relay - Dorn, Bergan, Dewitt, Myers, 2nd, 1:38.2; one-mile run - Colin

Hamlin, 2nd, 4:45.9; 800m run - Hamlin, 2nd, 2:06.6, Nick McDonald, 8th, 2:18.6, Shane Rollins, 9th, 2:20.2; 200m dash - Myers, 2nd, 23.81, Lindsay, 4th, 24.36; Dorn, 6th, 24.92; two-mile run - Keanu Quintana, 4th, 13:07.3; long jump - Bergan, 2nd, 18'7"; high jump - Bergan, 2nd, 5'8"; (girls) 100m dash - Stanna Dorn, 6th, 13.88; 400m relay - 2nd, 54.70; 800m run - Josie Swander, 5th, 2:53.75, Jo Hamlin, 6th, 2:56.78; long jump - Dorn, 7th, 13'8"; 1600m run - Swander, 5th, 6:24.37; high jump - Jessie Moran, 5th, 4'6"; shot put - Michelle Grosskopf, 10th, 23'3"; discus - Haley Wiseman, 12th, 61'0".

"Today we competed against all the teams in the conference and the girls performed very well. On the track side the team is very young with senior Brianna Kirk leading the way. She has done an outstanding job being a leader for these young girls. The times they put up were faster than I expected, which tells me we are ahead of schedule from past years. In the field events we still have some work to do, but there are a lot of good things happening," said Tim Gariglio, coach of the girls track squad.

"It was an outstanding performance by all athletes. Being the beginning of the season there were some very good times. Definitely looking forward to the rest of the season," said Dan Helms, coach of the GHS boys track team.

On Wednesday, the Vikings competed in a 9th and 10th grade meet at Harbor Springs. Grayling's boys team took second overall out of 10 schools.

Placements for GHS: 110m hurdles - Parkinson, 1st, 18.25; 100m dash - Lindsay, 1st, 11.24, N. Dorn, 3rd, 11.64; 800m relay - 2nd, 1:41.86; 400m relay - 2nd, 47.04; 300m hurdles - Parkinson, 3rd, 48.28; 800m run - Devon Dawson, 1st, 2:01.90; 200m dash - N. Dorn, 2nd, 24.32, Lindsay, 3rd, 24.44; 3200m run - Dawson, 1st, 10:46.49; high jump - Bergan, 1st, 5'8"; long jump - Bergan, 2nd, 18'00.75".

"The athletes did an outstanding job at the meet and I could not be more proud of them. They represented Grayling and themselves very well," Coach Helms said.

"I only had six girls to compete at this meet and as a team they performed very well. They finished sixth out of 10 teams, which is very impressive for them. All six of these girls are good runners and several of them set personal records," Coach Gariglio said.

The track teams will compete at the Falcon Invitational at Ogemaw Heights on April 30.

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